

## BLUFF AND MALDEN PLAY HERE FRIDAY

The Poplar Bluff Mules and the Malden high school eleven will meet at Sikeston Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock to decide the football championship of Southeast Missouri.

Coach Peters said today that both he and Coach Moon of Malden decided it best to play at Sikeston instead of Dexter on account of the Dexter field. It was explained that part of the Dexter field is uphill and that this would give both teams a more or less advantage throughout the game. It was said that all the players on both teams also requested the game be played at Sikeston.

Officials of the game have been announced. They are: Wid Matthews of Caruthersville, referee; Paul Haman of Benton, umpire, and Herbert Moore, Sikeston, head linesman. Coach Peters of the Mules and Coach Moon of Malden agreed on the officials at their meeting Saturday. The admission price has been announced as 25 and 50 cents.

A large number of Poplar Bluff fans will make the trip to Sikeston this Friday to see the champion Mules in action against their challenger. The Malden team has defeated some of the best teams in their section and are out for the Mules' scalp. Sikeston has abandoned their hopes for the Southeast Missouri championship, having refused to play either Malden or Poplar Bluff, although their team has not been defeated this season.

Coach Peters announced today that the Mules would go through one of the toughest workouts of their schedule within the next few days preparing for the game Friday. They were sent through a hard scrimmage this afternoon and are being drilled at hitting the line, forward passing and making wide end runs.

The Mules will likely be taken to Sikeston Thursday, where they will work out on the Sikeston field and rest up there the night before the game. The game is expected to be attended by a record-breaking crowd for a Southeast Missouri football game.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

## SUES FULBRIGHT FOR \$10,000 DAMAGES

Congressman James F. Fulbright of Doniphan was made defendant in a damage suit filed in circuit court today, in which the plaintiff, Mrs. W. J. Meadows, administratrix of the estate of the late Miss Frieda Roebkin, is seeking to collect \$10,000 for the death of Miss Roebkin.

The woman was killed in an automobile collision on the corner of Broadway and Vine streets on August 29, when an automobile owned by Congressman Fulbright, and driven by his son, Weldon, collided with an automobile occupied by Miss Roebkin, hurling her to the pavement and causing her death.

Weldon Fulbright, a few days ago, pleaded guilty in circuit court at Doniphan and was sentenced to eight months in jail, with parole as to the jail sentence. The charge against him was manslaughter.

The petition charges that the Fulbright car was driven in a reckless and careless manner.

Attorneys J. A. Gloriod and F. M. Kinder represent Mrs. Meadows.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

## TWO CALLS TUESDAY ON FIRE DEPARTMENT

An alarm was turned in Tuesday at noon and the fire department put out a small blaze on the roof of the Ruck Edmondson home on William Street.

Later in the day a run was made to the W. T. Jones home on Daniel Street, where the roof was on fire.

Both blazes caught from sparks falling on old roofs and fanned to a blaze by the high winds. Little damage was done to the roofs.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church of Matthews, will have a bazaar Saturday, December 3, next door to Mr. King's store. Everybody invited. They will give the "Manless Wedding" at the school house that night. Admission 15c and 25c.

Mrs. Sue Stallcup arrived in Sikeston the latter part of last week and plans to spend the winter in Sikeston, which is good news to her many friends.

# A Merry Christmas for All

## Gifts for Mother

Gifts for Mother she can enjoy throughout the entire year. Not all especially practical, but gifts she will like to receive.

Kid Gloves Purses Handkerchiefs  
Parasols  
Rayon Underwear  
Nelly Don  
House Frocks

## Gifts for Father

As usual we suggest the more practical gifts for father, since he wants to get something he can use each and every day.

Underwear Shirts  
Wool Sox Ties  
Dressing Gowns Handkerchiefs

## for Brother

Gifts that growing boys want above everything else at Christmas time.

CHECK OVER the LIST

Ties Mufflers  
Shirts Sweaters  
Belts Caps

## for Sister

It would be difficult indeed to select a better variety of gifts for sister.

DAINTY and PRETTY

Suede Fabric Gloves  
Compacts Bracelets  
Crepe de Chine Underwear  
Afternoon Dresses  
Silk Hose

## Gifts for Husbands

Husbands are often the hardest people in the world to buy gifts for. That's the reason we suggest that you read over the following list carefully.

Suits Overcoats  
Hats Bath Robes  
Silk Sox Handkerchiefs

## Gifts for Wives

Most husbands find the selection of gifts for their wives a most puzzling problem. These items have met the test of time as gifts certain to be welcomed warmly.

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Flowers Evening Dresses  
Silk Robes Coats

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Towels Hats  
Evening Slippers House Slippers  
Dress Slippers Street Slippers

Ties  
Mufflers  
Shirts  
Sweaters  
Bath Robes  
Silk Lounging Robes  
Luggage  
Sox

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Slack returned Tuesday night from a few days' visit to St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollingsworth and Mrs. Barney Forrester attended Eastern Star Lodge in Cape Girardeau Wednesday evening, where Mrs. Forrester was given the White Shrine degree.

Foster Bruton and Mrs. Anna Brucher returned to St. Louis Tuesday. Mrs. Brucher visited friends in Cape Girardeau and Foster visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bruton, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Marshall, Jr., and little son are spending a few days with Mrs. Florence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall are moving from Cape Girardeau to Blodgett, where they will make their home in the future.

The T. E. L. Club will hold their meeting next Monday evening at the home of Mrs. T. J. Mathis. At this meeting the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held and the china hogs will be in at a "hog killing". All members are requested to attend and not forget their own hog.

Mrs. J. L. Matthews and children spent the week-end in Caruthersville as the guests of her sister, Mrs. Dave Thompson.

The W. C. T. U. will have a meeting at the home of Mrs. E. J. Malone Sr., Thursday afternoon, December 8. This meeting will be a social meeting and a special program has been prepared. All member and friends are invited.

We are sorry to report that both Mr. and Mrs. John Simlar are on the sick list this week.

Joe Porter of Oran and Chaffee paid The Standard office a pleasant visit Wednesday forenoon.

Mrs. Louis Emory Baker of Chicago, who is visiting in Sikeston, motored to St. Louis this week, to visit Miss Ruth Baker, for a day or two.

Capt. C. L. Malone, Mayor Ed Fuchs, J. L. Matthews, C. L. and H. C. Blanton left for Jefferson City Thursday to be present at the road hearing in that city, Friday morning.

Mrs. Bess Cook was given a divorce from Levi Cook by Judge Kelly in circuit court at Benton. She was given the custody of her two children, Charles Allen and Catherine Ann, and allowed \$50 per month for the support of the two children.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Botts and children of Fulton, Ky., and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boaz of Parma, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Contazer.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Arnold were hosts to the Merry Dance Club Monday evening. A very enjoyable time was had by those who attended. Among the out-of-town visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bowman of Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. Reese Allen and Judge Leedy of Benton.

Mrs. A. W. Wylie received a message from her daughter, Mrs. Roy Colbert, stating that her little son, who was seriously injured two weeks ago, was improving steadily and was able to be moved to his home from Barnes' hospital, which is good news to their many friends and relatives in Sikeston.

## ROW OVER 61 HIGHWAY TO BE SETTLED FRIDAY

By Curtis A. Betts in Post-Dispatch  
Cape Girardeau, November 29.—The Southeast Missouri road fight over the location of U. S. Highway 61, through Scott and New Madrid counties, the bitterest road-routing controversy since the creation of the State Highway Department, likely will come to a head before the State Highway Commission in Jefferson City, Friday.

Chairman C. D. Matthews, who has favored a routing along which he and members of his family happen to be owners of nearly 8000 acres of land and through the town of Sikeston, in which he resides and where he has extensive property holdings, has refused to promise opponents of that routing a postponement of the hearing to give them an opportunity to make a field check of the surveys and estimates of the Highway Department engineers of the Matthews route and another several miles to the west.

The road in question is the southern extremity of a through State highway extending along the Eastern border of Missouri and connecting with national highways in Iowa and Arkansas.

Matthews has supported a route south from Cape Girardeau through the Scott County hills, across a sand ridge and over the lowlands of New Madrid County. This follows the route of the present road, known as Kingshighway, a high type gravel road, which would be replaced with concrete.

Residents of a number of towns toward the Western edge of these counties have fought the Matthews plan for many months and have advocated building the road entirely through low country, a water level route.

The west route advocates in September obtained a continuance of the hearing at which the location was to be settled, no surveying have been made of the route they proposed. A week ago the engineers submitted to them the final surveys, and immediately the hearing was set for Friday.

The engineers reported for the east route that a total of main road construction of 60,684 miles would be necessary, and that in addition it would be necessary to build a spur approximately one-half mile in length to New Madrid. The total cost, they estimated, would be \$2,233,986.

For the west route they figured total main road construction at 60,856 miles and spurs to Benton and Morley, aggregating 8,974 miles, and the cost \$2,793,847.53.

They thus figured the west route would be 8,716 miles longer and would cost \$559,861.53 more than the east route.

The west route advocates have much fault to find with the engineers' surveys and estimates, although they say that unless the Commission will grant them time for a field check of the surveys they will not be able to present accurate engineering objections.

William Crumpecker of Morehouse, president of an association formed by the west route advocates, said:

"Nobody in our association can understand how a road winding through the hills can be as short as one which follows a straight line, nor can they understand how the cost of construction through hills with many curves and steep grades can be less than it would be for a straight, level road. I have had considerable experience in grading and I can't believe the cost is less."

The objections the west route advocates have to the Matthews plan may be summarized:

To build the east route would mean destruction of a perfectly good road merely to build one a little better.

When built, Southeast Missouri would have only one road, while if the west route were built, it would be two good roads.

The proposed east route winds thru the hills, having many curves and grades as high as five per cent. The west route is practically a straight line without grades, 50 of the 60 miles being without a curve and level.

To build the east route would mean that Southeast Missouri's only north and south road would be closed to traffic over a part of its distance for several years, requiring costly detours. The detour at the south end would be nearly 30 miles and that at the north end nearly 15 miles. Building of the west route would not interrupt traffic, the entire distance being over a road which now has no through traffic.

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# SIKESTON STANDARD

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We predict that Mr. Brownlee will not be confirmed as a State Highway Commissioner by the Democratic Senate at Jefferson City when it next convenes. He is a brother of State Senator Brownlee who was a traitor to his party at the last session of the Legislature. Hugh Stephens was the most active of all the Highway Commission and his loss will be keenly felt by road enthusiasts all over the State. Mr. Stephens wouldn't have been re-appointed for the short term that he has served unless pressure had been put on Governor Baker by the Democratic Senate. Governor Baker attempted to place some more of his political favorites on the State Highway payroll, but his efforts were blocked in a measure by Mr. Stephens, hence Mr. Stephens was not re-appointed. The Standard expects to hear some political investigations of the Highway Department when the next Legislature convenes, and we expect to hear that many Democrats have been eased out of the Department and Republicans slipped quietly in, hence the refusal of the Highway Department to furnish the political affiliations of its employees for the Blue Book, as do other State Departments.

There is always a reason for most things, and the reason for the naming of C. D. Matthews, Jr., by Curtis Betts, staff writer of the Post-Dispatch, has been because F. B. Newton, former chief of Division 10 of the State Highway Department, was a brother-in-law of Betts, and it was believed by many that Newton should have been advanced to Jefferson City as a reward for building the most roads at the least overhead of any other Division Engineer in the State.

## THE HICK TOWN ANSWERS

There are many would-be highbrow writers who constantly attempt to highhat persons who live in small towns.

These caustic writers are constantly referring to "small town stuff", or saying something about the "hick town".

Of course they think it quite clever. Let us see, just what is a hick town?

Any town, or small city, for that matter, is a hick town where the people get together and work together for the good of mankind and the benefit of their friends and business associates in general.

It is a town where everybody has the community spirit, and is free from greed, avarice and selfishness.

Yes, it is a town where nearly everybody owns an automobile that is paid for, and takes pride in earning an honest dollar.

It is a town that is one of the very first to respond to the call of the nation when Uncle Sam blows the bugle.

It is a place where neighbors know their neighbors, recognize them, speak to them, and are neighborly.

A hick town is a community that has a living soul, and quickly responds and offers a helping hand to those in distress.

It is a community that is not made up of get-rich-quick sharpers, goldbrick dealers, bunco men, stick-up bandits, safe blowers and crooks of all kinds.

A hick town is a community that compromises and encourages law-abiding citizenry.

In a hick town one soon comes to realize just what real friendship is, and what it means to mankind. Here the people become bound together by the bands of friendship that are more valuable than all the gold in the world. Here deeds of kindness knit and cement friendship that no power on earth can undo—once a true friend, always a bosom friend.

Here it is realized that cheap friendship that can be purchased by the gilded dollar, or the power of station in society, is rotten to the core.

Good friends beget good friends, and true friendship is the greatest thing on earth—next to motherly love.

When looking for a hick town, go where the Golden Rule is demonstrated by precept and example.—Hastings (Neb.) Daily Tribune.

The two weeks previous to Wednesday forenoon were as balmy as early spring with threatening showers every hour of the day, and then something happened. The south wind suddenly whipped around to the north, the thermometer dropped to almost freezing, which chilled one to the bone.

The editor of The Standard left at noon Thursday to be present at the hearing of the East and West Route claims for the location of Highway 61 before the State Highway to be held at Jefferson City Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock.

Christmas falls this year on Sunday. The only mail delivered on this day will be Specials. The postoffice will be open on the Monday following 'till noon only. The same hours hold good in all postoffices of the United States. Mail your packages early if you wish them to be delivered on time.

Does the Government charge the stockmen for grazing their cattle and sheep on the national forests? Explaining the Government policy of grazing permits, Will C. Barnes, assistant forester in charge of range management, United States Department of Agriculture, says that each settler or resident is entitled to graze ten head of his domestic stock, such as work or saddle horses, milk cows and even hogs free of charge and without permit on national forest ranges. All other animals must be paid for at a rate which at present averages between ten and eleven cents per head per month for cattle and three cents per head per month for sheep. On January 1, 1928, these rates will be slightly increased. The stockmen are now paying into the United States Treasury annually about two and one quarter million dollars in grazing fees.

A very dilute solution of gelatin, made by dissolving 1 ounce of gelatin in 1 pint of water and finally diluting this solution 8 to 15 times, is an excellent dressing for silk, wool and cotton materials such as organdies, voiles and batistes.

To keep a fruit cake in good condition wrap it in waxed or parchment paper after it is entirely cold, and place it in a tight container. Some people like to put in with the cake an apple cut in half or a piece of cheesecloth saturated with cider. Look at the cake from time to time to see that no mold is appearing.

## NEW FORD CAR NOW AT LAST ON MARKET

After six months of "saying nothing but sawing wood", Henry Ford today announced the specifications of the new Ford car which succeeds his famous Model T. A bare listing of those specifications presents a picture of an automobile that in performance, appearance and mechanical features has heretofore been associated with a considerably higher price class.

Unusual speed and acceleration are among the outstanding features of the new car. It is announced as being able to make 55 to 60 miles an hour, with ease. In recent tests it has made even more without difficulty. What is more important, it is stated that when traveling at such speeds, it holds the road easily, and with comfort to driver and passengers. It is also stated with equal positiveness, however, that it performs in an equally spectacular manner on bad roads. In its design, Mr. Ford has held to his original idea of a car which can meet all conditions and types of roads.

Appreciating the constantly increasing importance of acceleration, the Ford Motor Company has given a great deal of study to this feature of the new car. In high gear tests with passengers in a Tudor sedan it has shown an acceleration of from 5 to 25 miles an hour in eight and one-half seconds.

The new Ford car also introduces a new type of four-wheel brakes. An exclusive Ford development, they are of the mechanical, shoe-expanding type, and are self-centering. The brake pedal and the hand brake each operates all four brakes. It is stated that this is the most reliable and simplest type of four-wheel brake, and also the easiest to adjust, all adjustments being made from the outside without removing any parts.

An engine that is practically vibrationless develops 40 horsepower at 2200 revolutions per minute. This low revolution speed in ratio to the high horsepower is illustrative of the unusual efficiency of the engine. Also, it means longer life, the lower engine speed insuring less wear on engine parts. The low revolution speed is also a substantial factor in lessening vibration. The bore is 3 3/4 in., stroke 4 1/4 in. The unusually large crankshaft, which is both statically and dynamically balanced, weighs 28 pounds. This balancing, combined with the lightness of aluminum alloy pistons, further combine to reduce vibration and increase riding and driving comfort and safety.

In addition to freedom from vibration, it is announced that the car is unusually quiet, a great deal of attention having been paid to this feature by the Ford engineers. In the engine, the timing gears are made of bakelized fabric, which is much quieter than metal. The cams on the camshaft have been so designed as to prevent valve clicking.

The coachwork of the car is as distinctive as its performance. There is a noticeable European touch in line and contour. It is not only designed for exterior beauty, but has as well the interior roominess, convenience and luxurious appointments to be found in much higher priced automobiles. On an instrument board of satin-finished nickel are mounted the speedometer, gasoline gauge, ammeter and ignition lock, with a dash-light in the center. The new military-type sun visor, with crown roof and round corners, are features of the closed models. Unusually narrow pillars and very wide doors and windows give maximum vision. Nickel-plated radiator shell and headlamps further accentuate the exterior attractiveness, while choices of four colors in pyroxylin finish are offered.

Simplicity in design has also been carried to the ignition. There is only one coil, in a waterproof case. There are no vibrators to adjust, and no exposed cables to work loose or short circuit from water. The distributor is located in a readily accessible position on top of the engine.

Centrifugal water pump, large radiator and airplane propeller-type fan provide a cooling system which makes the car very difficult to overheat, except from abuse, such as running without enough oil, or dry radiator.

From 20 to 30 miles to a gallon of gasoline, depending upon driving speed, is the gasoline consumption announced. Feed to carburetor is by gravity.

The oiling system, also a distinctive Ford design, is a combination of pump, splash and gravity feed. The new transmission is of the selective sliding gear type, with standard shift, three speeds forward and one reverse. The main shaft runs on ball bearings, the counter-shaft on roller bearings and the reverse idler on bronze bearings, a power-saving design unusual on light cars. Shifting of gears is noiselessly and easily accomplished, at the pressure of a finger.

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## LAIR STORE NEWS

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And yet, this glad December,  
As up and down you roam,  
The finest gift, remember,  
Is something for the home!

Furniture is such a welcome gift that it seems to us we ought to be kept busy every minute from now till Holidays arrive, putting away and marking for Christmas delivery the hundreds of new items suitable for the home which may be seen at our store. "Say it with furniture" this Christmas and you'll not go wrong.

You ladies who are looking for a real pretty dining room suite at low cost—please step up on the balcony and see the new numbers at \$125.00 and \$185 for eight pieces. At these extremely low prices you may pay by the month. If it's a cash deal take off 10 per cent.

Farmers up in old Shelby County (where a small part of this firm was born) held a big mass meeting the other day and resolved "Thumbs Down" on A N Y Presidential candidate, Democrat or Republican who is not out and out for Farm Relief. We glory in their spunk and pray their spirit may become so infectious as to lead an epidemic in that way of thinking. "We've had Wall Street for eight years—Give Main Street a chance"—is not a bad slogan.

No home has too many mirrors to suit the fancy of the ladies, and with that knowledge in hand we have laid in a nice supply of exceptionally good values in stylish numbers for console purposes. See the mirrors and see the prices pasted on them.

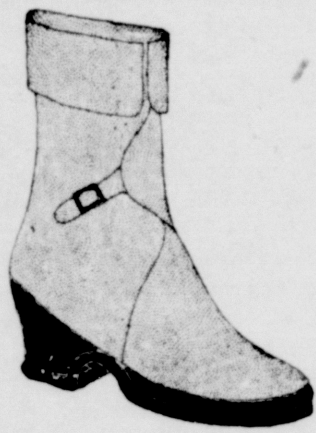
Gongs, incense pots, flower bowls, fruit bowls, candlesticks, tea pots, cigaret boxes—all in imported Chinese Cast Brass, nicely engraved. They're beautiful pieces—such as you might expect to find in Famous-Barr or Marshall Field stores—and the price is right, too.

Fireside or Radio benches, nicely upholstered in red velvet, pretty felt scarfs for table or piano, whatnot shelves in metal frame, pier cabinets for bricabrac are among late arrivals in gift items.

The new Ambulance came in good play lately, following two deplorable accidents near Charleston. After local physicians had given careful first aid the patients were quickly taken to a hospital where surgeons with modern equipment did everything possible to save life and limb. Our vehicle is equipped with the best that money can buy. Only careful drivers are employed. Calls are answered quickly, day or night.

We know beyond the shadow of a doubt that we can save money for those rug buyers who desire 9x12 rugs at prices between \$20.00 and \$50.00. Our stock was purchased on a low market and besides that we wish to turn rugs into money between now and January 1st. Make us prove it.

Five Moore's Seventeen Heaters are left. You get them if you want them at a radical discount. If your old heater is worth anything we will take that as part pay. You also get time on the balance if you wish.



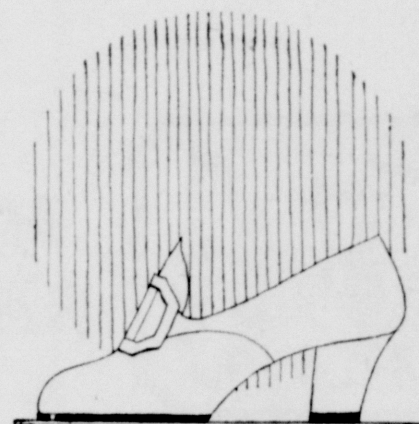
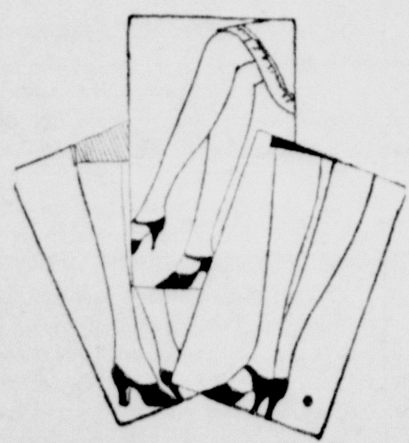
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## In Santa's Menagerie



What a din of "how-wows" and "quack-quacks" there would be if all the animals and ducks and chickens and such in Santa's pack should start to talk at once. The calico dog in this picture, with eyes painted so big and ears so long, is not half as ferocious as he looks. In fact, he makes friends not only with children, but the flapper contingent, who doting on the sensational, call them "snuggle dogs," carrying them under their arm with true "beauty and the beast" effect. As to the other dog and duck, you can get them at almost any fancy work department stamped on pique ready to embroider. They launder perfectly.



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## PRESIDENT BAINES PROTEST ROAD DELAY

Since the committee representing the West Route Association asking for delay of final location, appeared before C. D. Matthews, Jr., Chairman of the State Highway Commission, Chairman Dick Baines of the Kings-highway Association, has addressed the following to the Chairman, Mr. Matthews:

"Just noticed from the press that the West Route Association is asking for another postponement of the hearing on the location of Federal Highway 61 through Scott and New Madrid Counties.

"We have not heretofore seriously objected to the past delays and postponements of hearings on this matter for we felt that our friends on the West Route were entitled to have the information that they were wanting, but now that all of this information has been secured and placed in their hands, they will have had ample opportunity to go over the surveys, blue prints, estimates, etc., by the second of December, the date the hearing is now set. We feel that it would be an injustice to both Scott and New Madrid Counties to further delay this hearing.

"We are fully aware of what it means to these counties to have this matter decided as soon as possible and let work get started, which ever route is decided upon by the Commission.

"We feel that it is very unfair for the West Route Association or parties that might be interested to want to hold up the final location on this matter indefinitely; that it is beginning to look to us as though that is the purpose they have in mind in view of the fact that several postponements have been granted at their request. But now that they have been furnished the detailed survey of both routes, we wish to seriously protest against any further delay of postponements of the hearing. They have known for a sufficient length of time the same as we have of the date of the hearing and there is no reason why they could not be ready on the date set. We respectfully therefore, ask that no further postponements be granted, but that the hearing take place on the date fixed, having in mind when we entered this protest for the postponement the benefits that it means to both Scott and New Madrid Counties to have this hearing as soon as possible and let work get under way whichever route is decided upon."

## COLORED TRAVELER RETURNS TO SIKESTON

Jim Petty, is back in Sikeston from a six-months' visit at San Diego, Cal., and was a caller on The Standard editor a few days ago. Jim is a respected colored man of this city and he was asked to give us a little account of his trip, which is as follows:

"I have just returned from my trip to San Diego, Cal., where I spent six months of pleasure and work, and enjoyed the beautiful cities that I visited and they bided me a speedy return. We all enjoyed the good write-ups you gave me. We were certainly glad to get The Sikeston Standard and to get the news from home. We just read every bit of it. The people whom I worked for as porter were Dr. Stewart, Dr. Brown and Dr. Cornelius, and they bided me to return which I appreciated. Another man whom I worked for was Mr. J. H. Griffin, a barber, and the man that was so loyal to me was Mr. John Perkle, who spared no pains to make it pleasant for a man, a newspaper man, a man of honor. I came all the way back by the Yellow Way—Pickwick Stages—with all modern conveniences, rest stops, put up at good hotels. It was beautiful scenery along the highway. Our route back was by Needles, Cal., Barstow, Ariz., Albuquerque, N. M., Colorado Springs, Colo., Denver, Colo., Lincoln, Neb., Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo. The trip home cost me \$53.30. Mrs. Stubbs and family were well and getting along nicely. The Stubbs Motor Co., is doing a wonderful business."

## DEMOCRATS BUSY WRITING PARTY PLATFORM FOR 1928

By Josephus Daniels  
The Democrats around Washington (and the early session of Congress is bringing them here in large numbers) are already talking about writing a platform for 1928. Last week Senator Walsh, who has a genius for uncovering corruption and a passion for good government, is the first senator to give his platform, or the substance of it, to the country. He did this in a recent address to the Democratic Womens Club. It had some strong planks, as strong as those Noah used when he was building the ark. There are going to be storms and floods ahead in 1928, and Senator Walsh was wise in using only wood of the toughest fiber.

His suggested platform had another virtue beside soundness. It had brevity. He spoke a parable when he said if the platform could be written in a few words perhaps the people could be persuaded to read it. There is food for thought in that observation. How many people do you suppose read the platform of either party in 1924? Both were wordy and windy. I ventured that year to write a tentative platform myself. It got nowhere. If the Democratic party in 1924 had been wise it would have written a platform in these words:

"Thou shalt not steal."  
And then have nominated Walsh of Montana, the man who exposed the theft of Teapot Dome and Elk Hill and helped to drive two members out of Coolidge's cabinet after Fall had withdrawn from Harding's cabinet, but not until he got that \$100,000 from "the little black bag", etc. By the 'etc.', I mean the bonds which Roberts and Pomerene say he got from Sinclair & Co., to whom he leased Teapot Dome.

Walsh on a "Thou shalt not steal" platform would have required no long speeches, and the platform would have left nothing to explain, but nobody, or no large number, had the wisdom to see that the one 1924 issue was the oil scandal and the one candidate was the man who exposed the fraud. In 1927 the oil reserve has been restored to the navy, and no Republican, except those in the Senate who voted for Walsh's resolution, moved a finger to secure its return or the conviction of the crooks. No, I am not forgetting Mr. Roberts. He knew nothing about the fraud and had nothing to do with instituting the proceedings. As a lawyer he and Pomerene have shown zeal, integrity and marked ability. But it was Walsh's out-Sherlocking Holmes and Watson, too, that compelled the administration to engage lawyers to prosecute. It should never be forgotten that the Senate would not trust the Department of Justice which in those days ought to have been called the Department of Injustice.

Perhaps one reason why Democrats are buying themselves talk-issues and platforms is because they prefer not to talk candidates just now. As a matter of fact, up to Thanksgiving Day no Democrat has thrown his hat into the ring, though Senator Reed made a gesture a few days ago that looked like it. If Reed should be nominated he would incarnate the truth: Thou shalt not steal or buy elections, for no commendation could be too high of the great ability shown by the Missouri Senator in unseating Newberry and making it impossible for an honest senate to seat Smith, of Illinois, or Vane, of the State of "Corrupt and Content", once known as Pennsylvania. Smith is much talked of—more than anybody in point of fact—but the New York governor does not choose yet to say whether or not he will be a candidate.

It is rare that a political platform is well written. It is often as dull as it is wanting in directness. Mr. Bryan's platforms did not dodge on anything but they were diffusive and covered too much. Mr. Wilson had nothing to do with the platform in 1916, and that portion adopted in 1916 was one of the best the Democrats ever went to the country on. As a rule, the platform is the joint product of a committee of 48 men, each having a pet issue he wishes to

emphasize. A platform ought to be written by one man. To be sure, he should hear the views of others, but when the combined wisdom has determined what is the big issues, a man who knows how to use good English and has real style ought to be selected to whip it into shape and to use words and sentences that hit the spot, with some hint of Carlyle in its majesty and force, so that when read it would carry conviction and evoke enthusiasm.

The only perfect platform the Democrats have had since the sixties was that of 1876 upon which Tilden was elected. You don't think Tilden was elected? Well, it is too old a question to quarrel about. I do, and what is more, I think the Democrats were very stupid when they accepted the electoral commission. They should have chosen Tilden by the constitutional method of a vote by the House of Representatives and the Republican should have chosen Wheeler as vice president. That was the constitutional method, made and provided. The method chosen had no constitutional sanction.

There is a tradition (or is it history?) that Manton Marble wrote the 1876 platform. It had a sweep and a challenge and a dash to it. Marble knew how to indict a party in sentences that burned and how to excoriate fraud in convicting terms. The situation today in some respects parallels that of 1876. The corruption in Grant's administration had driven a member of his cabinet out of office. High officials had been smirched. The government needed to be purged and the floor swept clean and the whole house fumigated. Then there had been nothing like the Teapot Dome and Elk Hill stench or the Vane and Smith sensational scandals, not to speak of the increase in tariff rates to enrich the few, and the packing of the federal trade commission, or the complete control of government by privilege and for privilege.

Upon whose shoulders (and pen) will the mantle of Manton Marble fall in 1928? Is there another New York editor who can measure up to the height of the opportunity? Or are they all too much taken up with the wet and dry issues to see the bigger

issues? Or is there some country editor who can compress the commanding issues into phrases that will stir the country?

The time for writing a platform to get in on rather than to stand on, or to require a Philadelphia lawyer to interpret its meaning, ought to belong to the rubbish of the days when men were nominated who stood for nothing and therefore had no enemies. When the platform is accepted it should be easier to select a candidate who incarnates its principles.

Mrs. Ned Matthews and children spent the week-end in Cape Girardeau.

Until recently the only known method of taking fingerprints was first to find them with magnifying glasses, and then photograph them. Science has now enabled the detective to throw into prominence fingerprints which he suspects but cannot see even with the strongest magnifying glass. This miracle is performed by the application of osmic acid or iodine vapor to the spot where the fingerprint is believed to be.

## 1,202,079 MARRIAGES IN UNITED STATES 1926

The Department of Commerce announces that, according to the returns received, there were 1,202,079 marriages performed in the United States during the year 1926, as compared with 1,188,334 in 1925. These figures represent an increase of 13,745 marriages, or 1.2 per cent. The relatives increase was somewhat less than the estimated increase in the population, which amounted to 1.5 per cent.

During the year 1926 there were 180,868 divorces granted in the United States, as compared with 175,449 in 1925, representing an increase of 3419, or 3.1 per cent. There were 3,823 marriages annulled in 1926, this being the first year for which statistics of annulments were collected.

The estimated population of the United States on July 1, 1926 was 117,136,000, and on July 1, 1925, 115,378,000. On the basis of these estimates the number of marriages per 1000 of the population was 10.26 in 1926, as against 10.30 in 1925, and the number of divorces per 1000 of the population was 1.54 in 1926, as against 1.52 in 1925.

While the net increase in the number of marriages performed in the country as a whole was only 1.2 per cent, the relative change in the different states ranged from a decrease of 14 per cent in Michigan (resulting mainly from the passage in 1925 of a law requiring application for marriage licenses five days in advance) to an increase of 19.5 per cent in Nebraska (resulting mainly from the repeal of a similar law.)

Other states showing considerable decreases in the number of marriages were North Dakota, with a decrease of 9.6 per cent; South Dakota, with a decrease of 8.9 per cent; Delaware, with a decrease of 8 per cent; Vermont, with a decrease of 5.6 per cent; and Rhode Island, with a decrease of 5.4 per cent. Other states showing large increases include Florida, with an increase of 13 per cent; Indiana, with an increase of 9.7 per cent; and Nevada, with an increase of 9.4 per cent.

The ratio of 10.26 marriages, per 1000 of the population for the United States as a whole represents an average of rates in the individual states ranging from 4.6 in Delaware and 5.8 in Wisconsin to 16.35 in Maryland and 21.6 in Florida. In general the changes in the number of marriages per 1000 of the population, as shown by the department, form a more satisfactory index of the trend with regard to marriage in the several states than do the actual numbers of marriages, because they take account of differences in the rate of increase in the general population.

The increase of 3.1 per cent in the number of divorces granted in the United States during the year 1926, as compared with the year 1925, is the net resultant of changes in the various states ranging from decreases of 39.2 per cent in the District of Columbia and 14.1 per cent in South Dakota to increases of 16.7 per cent in Maryland and 25.9 per cent in Florida.

Other states showing considerable decreases in the number of divorces were New Hampshire, with a decrease of 7.2 per cent; Wyoming, with a decrease of 6.3 per cent; Nevada, with a decrease of 5.6 per cent, and Mississippi, with a decrease of 4.4 per cent. Other states showing considerable increases include California, with an increase of 9.7 per cent; New Jersey, with an increase of 8.8 per cent, and Kentucky, with an increase of 8.8 per cent.

The rate of 1.54 divorces per 1000 of the population, which is shown for the United States as a whole likewise represents the combination of data which give rates in the individual states ranging from 0.18 in the District of Columbia and 0.41 in New York to 3.52 in Oregon and 13.19 in Nevada.

The Standard \$1.50. per year.  
There is a lake on the east coast of Ceylon famous for its singing fish. The music heard on the surface of the water is said to be caused by the opening and closing of the shells of bivalves.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Sackman of Cape Girardeau motored to Matthews Thursday for their daughter, Miss Kathryn. The family were en route to Portageville to spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

Pultarch Conrad of Flint, Mich., and James Miller of Morley visited the former's brother, Benton Conrad, of this place, Wednesday. Benton accompanied his brother to their home at Marble Hill to spend Thanksgiving with their parents.

Misses Elizabeth Brackel and Ruth Cully visited relatives in St. Louis during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Steele of New Madrid were guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Steele, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Mitchell and daughter, Hazel, of Hayti, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane over the Thanksgiving season.

Miss Nota Watkins accompanied Mrs. Berthe Pickett to her home in Blytheville, Ark., to spend a few days.

Miss Ethel Iman of Slater, Mo., came down to take her sister, Miss Nell, back home, who has been very sick from ptomaine poisoning. Miss Nell's many friends hope to see her back and able to resume her teaching in the school. Miss Ethel Iman was the guest of Mrs. W. H. Deane while here.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart was hostess to the Rook Club Wednesday afternoon. All members were present and a delightful afternoon was spent. Mrs. Frank Sibley being the most successful player, was awarded a satin sofa pillow. Mrs. Billie Ghiemeinhardt won the booby prize. Refreshments of sandwiches, salad and hot coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Zimmer had as their Thanksgiving guests, Mr. and Mrs. Duckworth and children of Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. Frank Sibley motored to New Madrid, Sunday.

Miss Verna King was the guest of friends in Sikeston from Thursday until Sunday.

Miss Alice Deane spent Thanksgiving here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane had the following guests at a six o'clock dinner Thanksgiving eve: Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart, I. M. Castillo, and Miss Ethel Iman of Slater, Mo.

The Matthews football team went to Lilbourn to play their last game of the season. Lilbourn defeated the Matthews team.

Mrs. Alfred Gossitt had as her guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weatherford, Mrs. Ozetta Ridge and Miss Doloris Sterling.

The Methodist Sunday school had 70 in attendance last Sunday.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart and Miss Kathryn Sackman motored to Charleston, Sunday afternoon.

Plutarch Conrad of Flint, Mich., B. Conrad, Jim Miller of Morley, Misses Kathryn Sackman, Lillith Deane and Ruth Fletcher attended the show at Sikeston Wednesday night of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel Sigmore of Lutesville motored to Matthews on Thursday of last week to spend the day with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hicks. Donald Story, who is teaching at Lutesville, accompanied them to spend Thanksgiving with his parents.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Salome, died last Wednesday. Burial took place on Thursday.

Mrs. Jack Gossitt of St. Louis is visiting relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sigmore of Lutesville, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hicks, and Miss Dixie Hicks visited with relatives in New Madrid, Friday.

Mesdames O. Harper and Alfred Hunott were Sunday guests of Mrs. Clarence Hunott.

Miss Flossie Reed spent Thanksgiving with Miss Leona Gaines.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mize of Sikeston visited relatives here, Sunday.



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One of the leaders in church work in this city was talking to The Standard editor Tuesday about a revival that would start after the holidays. Not being a member of any church we had no hesitancy in agreeing with him that such a move was needed in Skeston. Not that Skeston is any worse than other places, but revivals are needed to call a halt on the fast living of today. A minister has an up-hill job in this year of our Lord to preach the gospel as is, and follow the rules of the church, and hold the crap-shooting, card-playing, Sunday-hunting, whiskey-drinking, dancing element who have their names on the church books. When these are excluded, where he is going to get his pay? And every one of them should be excluded according to all the religious denominations that we have ever heard of. There is no preacher who believes with all the above enumerated classes members of his church, that he could impress a non-church member with sufficient religious fervor to get him to join such a flock of goats. If a revival is to have the right sort of effect, the churches must clean their own houses first.

Folks, Santa Claus is just around the corner, but is a long way off for some pocketbooks. It will be a hardship to some to continue this one beautiful sentiment, but we are in hopes there will be no child but who is remembered by Santa Claus. Look around you and lend a hand where it will be appreciated.

We wish to make it clear that we do not favor the Eighteenth Amendment as now enforced. And we wish to say that we do not favor the return of the saloon. We believe the dry law has made more criminals and killed more people than was ever laid at the door of liquor in years past. We are for a modification or repeal and follow the handling of the question as now handled in the Canadian Provinces. It looks like enough honest men could be found that would be above bribes to enforce the law, but to date they have mostly been a disappointment. The agitators in the dry forces are in the saddle and riding for the money that is in the game, and that only.

The game of football to be played at Skeston this afternoon (Friday) between Poplar Bluff and Malden is for the championship of the Southern Division of Southeast Missouri. The championship of the Northern Division has already been won by Skeston. The weather permitting, the biggest crowd that has ever assembled here for an athletic event, will be present. The game will be contested every minute of the time and hard fought every inch. Skeston and neighboring cities will be splendidly entertained if they turn out.



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The editor appreciated the efforts of a friend in resenting personal remarks made behind our back, but would pay no attention whatever to such persons. Behind-the-back remarks do not hurt and that sort will not make them to the face. The editor of any paper who speaks his own mind is bound to have some people displeased and we are expecting nothing else. The Standard is playing to no class and will stand by the poorest man in the community just as quick as the richest, if the necessity arises. If one is law abiding and morally o. k., he need have no grievance toward this editor.

Sikeston merchants should not put off advertising their Christmas wares until the last minute or they will likely miss the cream. Postal orders are now going from Skeston to the big cities for Christmas things and our merchants should make a fight to keep this business at home.

Those who have never had little folks around cannot appreciate the bond of fellowship that exists between big folks and little folks. At the editor's home is a grandson three years old that occasionally spills something on the tablecloth and is scolded by his mother. It is then that a friendly look from Grandpa sets a nod of the head and a knowing look from the eye of the little fellow. At the same time he keeps a frightened eye on his mother, he looks with a friendly eye on those who spoil and humor him. This is one of the blessings of life.

Edina—H. Spencer opens automobile service station in west end of new building erected by Knox County Oil Company.

The lifetime of a good watch is 50 years. In its daily duties the balance and hairspring vibrates 18,000 times every hour, or more than 157,000,000 times a year, while an equal number of ticks come from the escapement.

Some silks and wools are spotted by water which dissolves a part of the weighting or finishing substance and leaves a ring. Sometimes these rings can be removed by scratching with the finger nail or rubbing with a stiff brush. Another method is to dampen the entire surface of the material by sponging with clean water or by shaking in steam from a briskly boiling teakettle, and then pressing while still damp. Still another method is to dip the entire garment in carbon tetrachloride, gasoline, or other solvent. Gasoline, however, should be used with caution because of the fire risk.

## LOWER PENALTY ON DELINQUENT DRAINAGE TAX

Delinquent drainage taxes on land within the Little River Drainage District, paid during December, will not bear the two per cent per month penalty imposed for non-payment, but will carry only a penalty of one-fourth that amount.

This was the announcement made today by the Board of Supervisors of the district in a bulletin sent to all landowners. It was stated that this action was taken in an effort to relieve landowners of the burden of heavy penalties which in some instances have been accruing for a number of years.

A saving of thousands of dollars within the district is expected, since the penalty imposed for non-payment is 24 per cent per year during the time the tax is delinquent.

This moratorium, however, will apply only during the month of December, and delinquent taxes paid after that date will bear the full two per cent per month penalty, the board announced.

Officials of the district believe the ruling will do much to stimulate the payment of delinquent taxes since it automatically reduces the amount to be paid, in many instances by hundreds of dollars.

The official resolution, adopted by the board, states:

"That this board declare and order that any landowner or other person for him, who owns land on which delinquent taxes assessed by this district are now resting, may pay the principal amount of said taxes now delinquent, together with interest thereon at the rate of one-half of one per cent per month from date of delinquency of said taxes, and in the event that a suit was filed for the purpose of collecting any of said delinquent taxes, said landowner shall also pay all court costs, including an attorney's fee of 10 per cent of the amount sued for."

In case where judgments have been obtained in court, these may be satisfied by the payment of the principal, interest at one-half of one per cent and all court costs and attorney's fee, the board ruled.

The board, in adopting this action, pointed out that the district had been hit by excessive rain and the flood of last spring, and that in many instances much of the land has not been cultivated this year. The board also found that in many instances landowners had found it impossible to pay the taxes and the heavy penalties and that mortgage holders were demanding that these be paid, threatening foreclosure. "It is the purpose and desire of this board to prevent such disastrous results, insofar as it be in the power of this board to avoid same", the resolution stated.

Following the lead of the larger district, it is expected that levee boards and drainage districts throughout Southeast Missouri will take the same step.

A proposed amendment, which would have reduced the heavy penalty on unpaid drainage tax, was presented to the last State legislature, but failed of passage. A similar amendment will be presented at the next meeting of the general assembly and it is expected that banks and loan companies will give it their support.—Cape Missourian.

## IMPROVING FARM LANDS

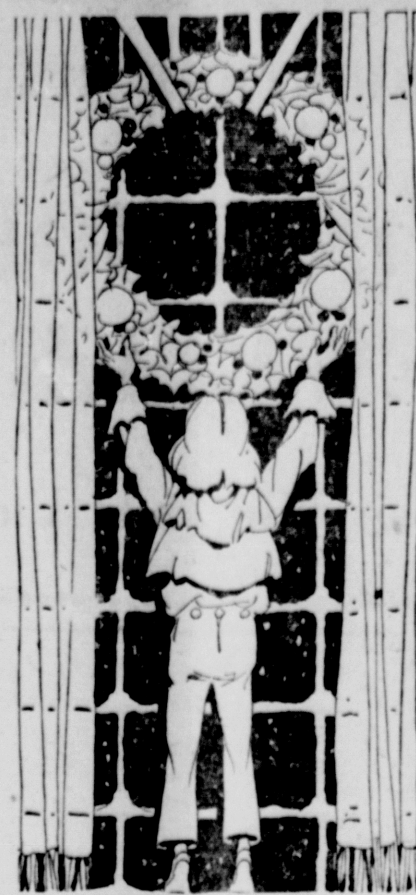
Lilbourn, November 28.—The Himmelfarber-Harrison Land and Development Company is making extensive improvements on their farm lands north and west of Lilbourn. This company owns 7000 acres, mostly in a body near here. Many new farm houses and barns have been built, all old ones are being repaired, houses and barns are being painted and everything indicates that the company is living up to its name.

According to G. R. Deane, local manager, about 2000 acres of this tract was in corn this year, which is producing a good yield and of a good quality. Most of the corn has been harvested and placed in cribs provided on the farms. About 300 acres have been planted to wheat, which looks very promising.

When the Dorena levee broke last April allowing the waters of the Mississippi to pour over the Skeston Ridge, seeking new levels it covered much of this land, destroying all the wheat, clover and alfalfa, as well as doing damage to buildings and fences. The water was soon gone, but the continued rains preventing the planting of crops until late in June, but a good crop is the result. With the improvements that are being made indicates that this company as well as many individuals and companies have great faith in the future of this great, fertile section.

It was Alexandre Dumas' ambition to put the history of France into novels.

From being a cathedral, a church at Bradwell-on-Sea, England, was converted into a lighthouse, and eventually became a barn.



## MEXICAN CATHEDRAL IS RICH IN TREASURE

A fortune, accumulated through centuries and valued at approximately \$5,000,000 pesos (about \$4,500,000), is being uncovered in the old cathedral of Mexico City. Closed to the public, a committee appointed by the administration of President Calles has been busy for weeks making an inventory of church property. Its work is about completed.

Since July 31, 1926, the churches of the republic have held no masses for it was then that the government began enforcing the religious laws requiring priests of the Roman Catholic and other denominations to register with the municipal authorities. The laws were aimed particularly at clergy of foreign birth and the priests discontinued services as a protest against the regulations.

Typical was the scene in the church at Churubusco, one of the battle grounds in the American war with Mexico of 80 years ago. Churubusco is a beautiful suburb of Mexico City and the quaint old Spanish church, an admirable setting, surrounded by high walls of stone. We entered and found two peasant women seated in a pew and counting their rosaries. All was well ordered and the interior had the evidence of care.

Different is the interior of the cathedral in Mexico City. Barred to visitors while the government committee is making its inventory, permission to enter it was obtained after several visits to the national palace across the huge square known as the Zocalo. Building of the cathedral was started more than 400 year ago after the Spanish conquistadors had razed the ancient Aztec temple that occupied the site since prehistoric times. Back of the cathedral and across the street lies an open excavation disclosing part of the foundations of the Aztec temple.

We entered the cathedral sacristy. Grouped about a large table sat the members of the government committee engaged in listing and appraising the church property. Although representing a government accused of being anti-church, the committee members are doing their work with the utmost respect. There is no hint of anything sacrilegious for as one Mexican said: "We are Catholics at heart".

Senor Salvador Baz, a member of the committee, arose and conducted our party of three through the ancient edifice now so silent. Gates to the various chapels in the great buildings are sealed with government labels. Senor Baz with several large iron keys unlocked dusty choir and organ lofts, dust laden chapels and dim tombs. The carpet in one of the chapels had been removed and there was a strong odor of disinfectants for under the wooden flooring lay the dust of another century. Lighting a large candle, Senor Baz conducted us down a narrow stairway leading to underground vaults where once reposed the dead of three or four centuries ago.

In the chapel of St. Philip, inclosed in glass caskets, lay the bodies of two holy men, their figures encased in wax and clothed in the vestments of the church.

Back in the sacristy Senor Baz unlocked drawer after drawer of cabinets containing the capes, chasubles, altar cloths and other eucharist garments of the priesthood. He unfolded and hung them on wooden racks to display their princely splendor.

There are sixteen gold and black capes which were worn in public processions. They were made in Toledo, Spain, and are valued at \$200 each. Twenty-seven other capes, also from Toledo, are valued at \$1500 each. Their colors are gold and red with a small figure of a saint worked on the back in exquisite silk brocade and fine gold. There are between 500 and 600

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chasubles, imported from China. Some of them are 300 years old and they have borders of tumbaga metal, an alloy of gold, silver and copper.

Senor Baz exhibited an ornamental altar cloth, a marvelous thing done in gold, worth \$5000. The whole set of these altar cloths is valued at \$26,500. Among the articles used in the mass is a monstrance appraised at \$108,000. Then there is the chiseled, original crucifix from which Manual Tolsa, noted Spanish artist of more than 200 years ago patterned the crucifixes that have been used in the church.

In the vestry hangs a large painting called "The Triumph of the Church". It is more than 300 years old and the committee has fixed its value at \$20,000. The artist who executed it was paid \$150 in 50 installments, the records show. All about the walls of the sacristy hang paintings, centuries old, of churchmen, some of them dating back to 569.

We climbed after two hours of visiting about the interior, into one of the towers and up to the belfry and found a Mexican family living there. The bells are silent now but for those that strike the hour. The height affords an excellent view of the city and valley of Mexico in which it lies, 7349 feet above the sea. Mexico City has been in existence since at least the twelfth century. When Hernando Cortez, the Spanish conqueror,

arrived in 1519, it was the Aztec capital, Tenochtitlan.—Commercial Appeal.

Farmington—Progress being made paving highway 61 between this place and Esther.  
Baked bananas are a good mid-winter dessert. Skin six bananas, scrape them lightly to remove any stringy portion, and split in half lengthwise. Place in a buttered shallow baking dish, and pour over them a sauce made of 1/2 cup sugar, 2 tablespoons melted butter, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1/2 teaspoon salt. Bake in a hot oven until brown.

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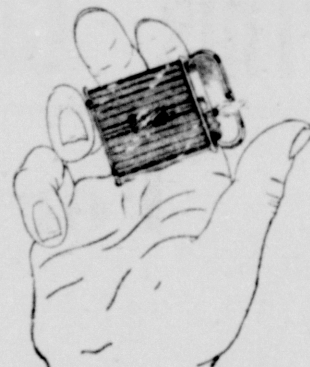
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Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

### ARTICLE NO. 10

Some of the most difficult questions of auction arise when one side can make five clubs and A-B five hearts. Y, of course, had a freak hand, as follows:

Hearts—none  
Clubs—K, Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 5, 3  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—10, 8, 7, 5, 2

Hand No. 2

Y

A B

Z

Hearts—3  
Clubs—Q, 8, 6, 5, 3  
Diamonds—A, 7, 2  
Spades—J, 10, 7, 3

These are some of the puzzling questions that arise very frequently and their proper answering usually means a tremendous difference. Here are two hands that illustrate these points very forcibly:

Hand No. 1

Hearts—10, 9, 7, 6, 5, 2

Clubs—A, 4

Diamonds—Q, 7

Spades—9, 6, 3

No score; rubber game. Z dealt and passed. A passed. Y bid three spades. B four hearts. Z four spades. A five hearts and Y five spades. B then bid six hearts and Z doubled.

If all passed, what should Z open? Should he open spades, his partner's declared suit, or should he open the club suit? Some players might even consider the ace of diamonds as a good opening in this hand. However, the choice seems to be between the spade and the club lead. The bidding indicates to a certainty that either A or B has no spades, so that a spade lead would be trumped and thus enable B to establish his side suit before Y-Z do theirs. For this reason Z should not open spades.

Z's only sound opening is the five of clubs. If he can establish one club trick before he loses his ace of diamonds, he can defeat the contract. That is the reason for the club opening. If Z's partner has no high clubs but has the king of diamonds, later hand. The great number of hearts in his hand makes it certain that B cannot take a trick in that suit, something he undoubtedly is counting on. A, of course, has one sure trick, the ace of clubs, but that trick no more than offsets the loss of B's expected heart tricks. For that reason, A should figure that Y-Z will make five clubs and he should, therefore, bid five hearts. There is a good chance to make the bid and thus win game and rubber; but even if it loses, A-B will surely save game and rubber. All in all, A's bid seems to be

Answer to Problem No. 12

Hearts—10, 9, 7

Clubs—Q, J, 6

Diamonds—A, J

Spades—none

Hearts—A

Clubs—9, 8

Diamonds—Q, 8, 6, 5, 2

Spades—none

Hearts—K, Q, J, 8

Clubs—none

Diamonds—K, 7

Spades—8, 6

Spades are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can Y-Z win six of the eight tricks against a weak defense? How can A-B play so that they can make three tricks, irrespective of Y-Z's play? Z should lead the seven of diamonds and play the jack of diamonds from Y's hand. Y should now lead the queen of clubs on which Z should discard the king of diamonds. Y should now lead the jack of clubs. If B makes the mistake of trumping this trick, Y-Z can win all of the remaining tricks except two. Suppose B trumps with the deuce of spades. Z should over-trump and lead the king of hearts which A must win. A must then lead a diamond. Y plays the ace and if B trumps, Z will again over-trump. The only trick that B

can then make is the nine of spades. At trick three, however, B could have prevented this result by discarding a heart and Z should discard a high heart. Y should lead another club, and this lead of clubs B should trump with the deuce of spades, which Z should over-trump. Z then should lead his top heart as before, losing to A's ace. When A leads a low diamond, however, B should discard his last heart. Y must now lead a heart which B should trump with his seven of spades and Z cannot over-trump as he still has one more heart. B must also make his nine of spades and therefore wins three of the eight tricks.

Study this problem carefully as it is very instructive.

### Czechoslovakian Pottery



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### PERJURY WARRANT FOR GIRL WHO ACCUSED JOPLIN MEN

Joplin, November 29.—A perjury charge has been filed against Bertha Goen, 18 years old, whose testimony that she was criminally attacked resulted in long penitentiary sentences for O. H. Gentry, Jr., and Wilkins Taylor of this city.

The charge was filed following a repudiation of the girl's original testimony, upon which the men were sentenced. The repudiation, contained in a deposition taken in Kansas City was a general admission that the story she told on the witness stand was "framed".

F. R. Birkhead, Prosecuting Attorney, has asked Kansas City police to arrest the girl, who is employed there, and in the meantime he is investigating the motive behind settlement of a \$25,000 civil action brought by her against Taylor for \$5000. The settlement was made recently.

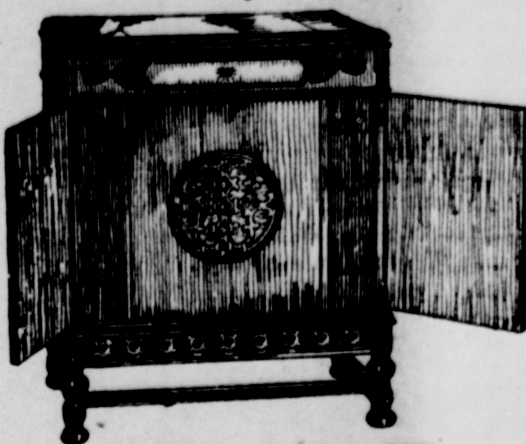
Gentry, who is a fourth cousin of Attorney-General Gentry, was given a 99-year sentence and Taylor got 20 years. Gentry is in prison and Taylor is out under a \$25,000 appeal bond.

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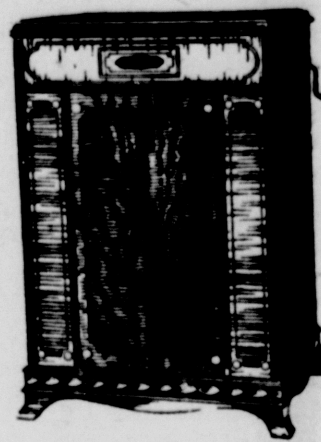
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### MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Palmyra—12 cars of livestock shipped from here on recent day to St. Louis.

Fredericktown—Second big strike of 70 per cent tungsten made recently by mining company near here.

Clarksville—Every civic organization here co-operating in drive for funds to erect community building.

Greenfield—Highway 39 completed recently from Greenfield to Cedar County line.

Kansas City—Aladdin Theatre with capacity of 900 persons opens here.

Kingston—New road planned from main road in center of cemetery to highway on west.

Kingston—Another block of Kingston's streets will be graveled this fall.

Neosho—Quality Ice Cream Company erecting addition to its present building.

Kingston—Grading completed on highway north of town to gravel at Gus Otto corner.

Canton—City has modern fire-fighting apparatus.

Mansfield—Cheese factory to be established here.

Liberal—Movement under way to organize commercial club or Chamber of Commerce.

Pleasant Hill—New washing machine installed in Neal's Laundry.

Republic—Several new surface treatments for gravel being installed on 9-mile strip of highway No. 16 from No. 66 to Republic.

Pierce City—Livestock Shipping Association shipped two carloads cattle, hogs and sheep from here on recent day.

Troy—Chamber of Commerce actively promotes dairying interests by shipping in carload lots of high-grade dairy cows to be sold at auction.

Triplitt—Kansas City Power Light Company building new transmission line between this place and Dean Lake.

on south side of 10th Street from Orchard to Valley.

Lee's Summit—Concrete being poured on gap in Highway No. 50 at south edge of Lee's Summit.

Monett—Contract let for paving alley between Broadway and Bond Sts.

Wesley Chapel—Bridge being built west of Everett Lupton's.

Unionville—700 feet of 4-inch cast iron pipe being installed at end of East Main Street.

Shelbyville—Grading and graveling under way on No. 15 from this place to Bethel.

Excelsior Springs—City Beautiful Campaign sponsored by Excelsior Springs civic unit has exceeded all expectations in its effectiveness.

Hunter—Chamber of Commerce recently organized here plans many improvements.

Neosho—Sunlight Produce Co. considering erection of addition to its plant.

Palmyra—Burlington Railroad to build new bridge over Warren north of station in this city.

Louisiana—Louisiana Times purchased by I. N. & Lynn Bryson, owners of Press-Journal.

Rabbit Ridge—Several farmers here commence to crib corn.

Louisiana—Work resumed here on highway bridge across Mississippi River.

Weston—This place will have city mail delivery service beginning January 1.

Trenton—Thirty-eight exhibitors from Missouri, Iowa and Kansas represented at 45th annual Poultry Show of Grand River Valley Poultry Association held here recently.

St. Louis—This city ranks as world's leading center for manufacture of sugar mill equipment.

Hermitage—County highway system of 93 miles planned by Hickory County highway commission.

Lee's Summit—Paving completed on Highway No. 50.

Milo—18 miles of highway being graveled from this place to end of concrete pavement in Barton County.

Carthage—Work under way rebuilding fire walls and installing new roof on Carthage public library.

Jefferson City—Good roads meeting held here recently.

Thayer—New equipment installed at Sloan's Shoe Store.

Washington—Work progressing on paving Highway 47.

Whiteside—G. Huenefeld & Son recently shipped truckload of nineteen hogs to St. Louis from here.

Springfield—McDaniel Lake, two and a half miles long to be constructed six miles north of this city.

Carthage—No damage was done here by fire during the month of October.

Odessa—Third annual farm product show and 14th annual poultry show held here recently was success.

Galena—Stone County's new highway bridge across James River at this place dedicated.

Carthage—Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company opens its second retail grocery store here.

Monett—Contract let for paving alley between Broadway and Bond Sts.

Carrollton—Combined pasteurization and ice cream plant and bakery planned here.

Monett—City hall being renovated and redecorated.

Liberal—Chamber of Commerce organized here recently.

Greenville—Progress being made on erection of J. Arthur Davis Motor Company building.

Grant City—Standard Oil Company to erect new filling station at rear of Tribune Building.

Lamar—Chamber of Commerce has been instrumental in securing 150 acres of strawberries planted for commercial purposes.

Hulston—Work being rushed to completion on new bridge here.

St. Joseph—New straw mill here in operation.

Branson—New stamp canceling machine installed in local postoffice.

Cassville—New Caterpillar tractor purchased for Flat River special road district.

Cassville—New bridge being built across Flat Creek at Pilant Ford one and a fourth miles below this place.

Cassville—J. Barlow northeast of here building large dairy barn.

GIRL STUDENT IS SHOT

Malden, November 28.—Estelle Holley, 17, student of Malden High School, where she is a member of the

debating team and captain of the girls' basketball team, will be out of school for some time due to an accident yesterday, when she was shot in the ankle with a bullet fired from a .22 rifle in the hands of young Carl Blanton, who with other young boys was engaging in target practice near the Holley home in the east part of town. Miss Holley was on her back porch when she was shot. Although no bones were broken, the exact seriousness of the injury is not known.

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## OLD FRATERNITY PIN BEARS DATE OF 1776

"Solid headed pins were made first by a New Hampshire man, Lemuel Wellman Wright, in 1818, according to some authorities," says Dr. Frank H. Vizetelly, "but this claim is disputed by others who affirm that the real invention was Seth Hunt, to whom a patent was issued in 1817. Whatever the merits of the case, Wright's pinmaking machine was the first to be operated successfully."

"Fraternity pins are not of recent date. A fraternity pin presented by William and Mary's College of Virginia in 1776, and probably the oldest college fraternity pin in America, was found recently near Brandywine Creek, in Chester County Pa. It is owned by Jos. Brinton of Thornbury. The pin was plowed up on the Brinton homestead, which formed a part

of the battlefield on which General Washington out-manoeuvred General Howe and where the Marquis de La Fayette was severely wounded. The pin is of the old watchkey shape, familiar to college men as the insignia of Phi Bet Kappa. On one side it bears the name 'John Graham', with the date of the founding of the fraternity—December 6, 1776.

"The college authorities were informed of the discovery of the pin and an investigation was made. This showed that a John Graham was graduated from there and left to join the Revolutionary Army in January, 1777. He disappeared about 8 months later, and the finding of his pin on the battlefield of the Brandywine Creek makes it almost certain that he fell in battle.

"If Jeremy Taylor's knowledge of the classics is reliable, needles were in use in remote antiquity, for in his treatise of 'Holy Living', Taylor says: 'Aesopus, a Macedonian king,

made lanterns, and Biantes, the Lydian, filed needles'.

"The fact that bronze needles from three to three and a half inches long have been found in ancient Pompeian and Roman ruins as well as in Egyptian tombs, proves that they were in use years before the dawn of Christianity. It is certain that needles were in use, for without them it would have been impossible to produce the exquisite specimens of embroidered work that have been handed down to us through the ages.

"Needles were made first of bone or ivory and then made of metal. The eye was made by forming a loop and twisting the metal around the stem. It was with such an implement as his that Edgitha, the queen of Edward the Confessor, earned the distinction of being known as 'perfectly mistress of the needle'. That the embroidery done in Anglo-Saxon times became known as 'English work' and was much sought after, even till the fourteenth century, is due to the influence of such women.

"To the city of Nuremberg, Germany, we owe the first wire needle, and in 1360 the craft of needle-makers of that city formed a trading society to protect their industry. But their secret leaked out, and the making of needles spread to several important manufacturing centers. They were made both in England and in Spain. When Edward IV ascended the English throne one of the officers of the queen's household was paid £3 16s and 8 d. per annum to provide 'Parchemint paper, ink, wax, thread, needles, counters, etc.'.

"A century later 500 needles cost 2s. 6d. or about 60 cents. The first needles made in England were the work of a Moor, who had learned the art of needlemaking in Spain, and when the Spaniards were in favor with the English, under Queen Mary, he went to London and made needles for a living in a shop on Cheapside. The needles of this time were styled 'Spanish' from the fact that nearly all that were used in England came from Spain.

"On the accession of Elizabeth the Spaniards withdrew to France and some to Holland, but a number of Germans came over to England and settled in the country. Among them was a certain Elias Growse, or Corons, who made public the process of manufacturing needles, then pursued needlemaking as a trade. At this time a needle factory was established by a family named Greening of Grendon, in Buckinghamshire, England. During the commonwealth the needlemakers were numerous enough to receive a charter of incorporation as a company from Oliver Cromwell in 1656.

"From that use of the needle, which has been immortalized by the 'Song of the Shirt', many others are derived for various walks in life. Among them are the surgeon's needle for sewing up wounds, the trussing needle deftly handled by the cook, the packing needle used in commerce, the upholsterer's needle and that used for stitching carpets; the knitting needle, now almost supplanted by a mechanical knitter and a host of other needles of special make, as those used by glovers, wigmakers, weavers, the chief characteristic of the glover's being that it has a three-cornered point. In sail-yards a special needle is used which is operated with the aid of a steel palm, and a similar device is employed in broommaking."—Commercial Appeal.

Little Princess Elizabeth, the 18-months-old daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, has her own private secretary.

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If baby could write, it is fair to suppose that Santa Claus would be deluged with letters saying, "Please, dear old Nick, bring me a nice little hot-water bottle to make me comfy." A miniature hot-water bottle in a beflowered satin case is a cunning gift. It doubles the message of comfort if a bit of talcum powder be included. These nursery requisites are obtainable in matched sets, beautified with flower craft which creates such wonderfully lovely posies out of satin ribbon.

## The KITCHEN CABINET

(6). 1927. Western Newspaper Union.)

All the higher motives, ideals, conceptions, sentiments in a man are of no account if they do not come forward to strengthen him for the discharge of the duties which devolve upon him in the ordinary affairs of life.—Henry Ward Beecher.

## THINGS THAT HELP

For those who cannot eat meat or very little, or few kinds, there are dishes which will substitute it nicely.



Potatoes served with a cream sauce and made rich with good grated cheese.

A rich cream soup served with a cream sauce and made rich with good grated cheese.

A rich cream soup served with fingers of nicely buttered toast.

Desserts when served with a meatless meal may be of richer quality. Ice cream with chocolate sauce, steamed puddings with rich sauces, and pastry of various kinds may be served if desirable.

A salad of crisp lettuce with peanuts and French dressing or any kind of nuts with mayonnaise.

Loaf of nuts may be most appetizing, using the chopped nuts in the preparation instead of meat. Serve with a sauce such as tomato or brown sauce with mushrooms.

Mock Sausages.—Soak one-half cupful of lima beans over night in water to cover. Cook until tender, season with salt and pepper; after putting them through a coarse sieve add one cupful of bread crumbs, three table-spoonfuls of butter, a pinch of sage, one beaten egg, with seasoning needed. Shape into small sausage forms, dip into egg and crumbs and fry in deep fat. Serve with apple rings of fried apple overlapping, around the sausages.

When taking disagreeable medicine, hold a small piece of ice in the mouth a moment; it dulls the taste buds and the medicine goes down easier.

A roll of adhesive tape is one of the indispensables in the household. It will, with a wad of absorbent cotton, keep a wound covered nicely. It softens a corn or bunion and may be used to mend a leaky water bottle in an emergency.

Cool all bread and rolls on a wire rack. Covering bread with a cloth or pan destroys the delightful flavor of the bread.

Nellie Maxwell

## DEMOCRATIC SLOGAN WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Washington, November 28.—Mrs. Emily Newell Blair of Joplin, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee, arrived in Washington today for a two weeks stay. She attended the luncheon of the Women's National Democratic Club, at which announcement was made of the awards of prizes in the clubs national slogan contest.

"Eight Years of Wall Street—Give Main Street a Chance", won first prize, which went to the same woman who won in a local contest last spring—Mrs. Wilbur W. Hubbard of Chestertown, Md. Mrs. Hubbard won the prize of \$100 against more than 800 competitors.

The second prize, of \$50, was won by F. N. Martin of Newberry, S. C., with "Tariff Relief Means Farm Relief".

The third prize, of \$25, was awarded to the slogan, "By Their Loots, Ye Shall Know Them", entered by Bessie M. O'Neill of Springfield, Massachusetts.

## Notice To All Land Owners In The Little River Drainage District.

Following is the text of a resolution relating to delinquent tax penalties, passed by the Board of Supervisors of The Little River Drainage District at its regular meeting Monday, November 21st, 1927:

RESOLUTION WHEREAS, the year 1927 has been one of unprecedented rainfall resulting in devastating floods throughout the Mississippi Valley; and

WHEREAS, the land within this District has been provided with adequate outlets for the drainage of an ordinary amount of rainfall, yet during this year by reason of the excessive rains during the spring and early summer months, much of the land that is usually planted in crops has this year been nonincome producing; and

WHEREAS, a large area of the land within this District was overflowed by the flood waters of the Mississippi River caused by a break of the Mississippi River levee, constructed under the supervision of the United States Government, near Dorena, Missouri, some 30 miles east of this District; and

WHEREAS, a large area of the land within this District was overflowed by the flood waters of the St. Francis River caused by the breaking of a levee constructed by a levee district of Dunklin County, Missouri, some ten miles west of the land within this District; and

WHEREAS, there is a present widespread depression in land values and in the price of most farm products produced on the land in this District; and

WHEREAS, there is much land in not only this but other drainage and

levee districts that has delinquent drainage and levee taxes assessed against it bearing a penalty of 2 per cent per month by reason of the failure of the landowners to pay said taxes when due; and

WHEREAS, in some instances said taxes are delinquent for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief on this Board that many of the landowners who have spent thousands of dollars in clearing and in improving their farms in this District cannot pay the amount of delinquent taxes and accrued penalties resting thereon; and

WHEREAS, many of such landowners have borrowed large sums of money on their lands for the purpose of improving same and the holders of said notes and deeds of trust are now demanding that all said delinquent taxes and penalties be paid, as well as the accrued interest, else they will immediately foreclose said deeds of trust; and

WHEREAS, many of the owners of said lands will lose not only their land by reason of said foreclosure, but all other property they have if said deeds of trust are foreclosed; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose and desire of this Board to prevent such disastrous results in so far as it be in the power of this Board to avoid same

NOW THEREFORE, in order to afford temporary relief and enable the landowners to overcome some of the above mentioned conditions now confronting them;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Board declare and order that any landowner or other person for him, who owns land on which delinquent taxes assessed by this District are now resting, may pay the principal amount of said taxes now delinquent, together with interest thereon at the rate of one-half of one per cent per month from date of delinquency of said taxes, and in the event that a suit was filed for the purpose of collecting any of said delinquent taxes, said landowner shall pay also all court costs, including an attorney's fee of 10 per cent of the amount sued for.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that where judgments have been obtained by the District for delinquent taxes and the District has not yet received the taxes evidenced by and culminated in said judgment, that said judgments shall be satisfied by the District upon the record of the respective courts in which they were obtained, upon the payment to the District of a sum equal to the principal of the delinquent taxes sued for plus interest thereon from date of delinquency at the rate of one-half of one per cent per month, and the payment of all court costs, including the attorney's fee fixed in said judgment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that in computing the amount due on said taxes each fractional part of a month shall be counted as a full month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

AND ORDERED that this resolution and order shall become effective and in force on December 1, 1927, and remain effective and in force until and including December 31, 1927, and that this resolution or the substance thereof, be published in all the newspapers published in all the counties in which lands of the district are located and that a special bulletin be issued by the district setting out said resolution and that it be mailed to all landowners whose addresses are known, to the end that all landowners owing delinquent taxes may be advised of this order and opportunity given them to avail themselves of it prior to the expiration date fixed herein.

The above resolution is being published in accordance with the direction of the Board of Supervisors, contained therein.

JOHN H. HIMMELBERGER, President, Board of Supervisors.

## TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, W. K. Burnett, R. J. Swank and N. E. Swank, by their certain Deed of Trust dated the 11th day of February, 1924, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of Scott County, Missouri, Deed Book 47 at Page 287, conveyed to the undersigned Kiah Smith, all their title, right, interest and estate in and to the following described real estate situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri; to-wit:

All of the North West Quarter and all of that part of the North West Quarter of the South West Quarter (further described as the North half of government lot No. 2 of the South West Quarter) which lies West of Drainage Ditch as now located and constructed thru the same—all being in Section Thirty (30), Township Twenty-seven (27), North, Range Fifteen (15) East of the Fifth Principal Meridian, and containing 165.45 acres more or less; subject to a prior Deed of Trust in favor of the Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank in the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00).

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said Deed fully described, and whereas, the said note has become due and is now unpaid, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described real estate at the East door of the Court House in the City of Benton, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash on

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1927 between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to satisfy said note, together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

KIAH SMITH, Trustee, Dated this 18th day of November, '27.

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## Discharged Tuberculosis Patients to Be Followed Up

A state wide plan of following up discharged patients from the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Mt. Vernon to learn how they are progressing, has been recently inaugurated as one of the many activities of the Christmas Health Seal in Missouri. This follow-up work is in charge of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association and Dr. W. J. Bryan, medical director of the Sanatorium. Lists of the discharged patients are furnished the State Tuberculosis Association, whose field nurses visit them in their homes and report on their condition to Dr. Bryan.



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## Tuberculosis Clinics In Fourteen Counties

As one of the activities financed by the little penny Christmas Health Seal, tuberculosis chest clinics have been held in fourteen counties in Missouri during the last few months, according to J. W. Becker, Executive Secretary of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association, which conducted the clinics in co-operation with the local County Medical Societies. In some counties, the interest was so intense that the entire medical profession attended.

These clinics are held by the Missouri Tuberculosis Association at the request of the local Medical Society. Any county may have such a clinic if its Medical Society will make the request of the State Association, 2221 Locust Street, St. Louis.

## Christmas Seals Finance \$124,000 Health Program

Of the \$123,000.67 raised in Missouri last year through the sale of penny Christmas Health Seals, \$97,407.35 was spent in the communities in which the seals were sold, according to the report of J. W. Becker, Executive Secretary of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association, which conducted the sale. The State Association spent \$18,134.74 in state-wide health projects and \$8,100.58 was paid to the National Tuberculosis Association in the interest of nation-wide health programs. The remaining \$2,250 was spent in health work in schools throughout the state. The per capita sale in Missouri last year was 3 1/4 cents; in the United States, 5 cents.



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## Tuberculosis Death Rate Cut in Half in 10 Years

Since the first Christmas Health Seal was sold, the tuberculosis death rate has been cut in half. This means that each year one hundred thousand people in this country fail to die who would have died if the death rate had remained what it was when the little Christmas Seal was born.

"We are on the halfway mark," said J. W. Becker, executive secretary of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association, "but we cannot stop there. While the disease has dropped from first to fifth place as a cause of death among persons of all ages, it nevertheless remains the chief cause of death among persons from 15 to 35 years of age, the most productive period of life, those years of happy parenthood and home-building. Christmas Health Seals, therefore, must continue to be a part of our Yuletide season until we stamp out tuberculosis completely."

By the wise and careful handling of funds from the sale of little penny Christmas Seals, this decline in tuberculosis death rate has been made possible. Penny by penny, dime by dime, five million dollars is the sum to be raised to fight tuberculosis in the United States during 1928. This year's sale is already under way—in every section of the country. From coast to coast, this slogan is being sounded: "The Greatest Gift—Good Health for All."

Christmas Seals—  
You buy them once a year—  
They work throughout the year.



# The Story of Christmas Giving

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Some  
News

TWICE-A-WEEK SIKESTON STANDARD

Some  
Views

Be careful, in advertising your age, not to advertise your senility.

## THROUGH A WOMAN'S EYES

By JEAN NEWTON

### Love in Action

Does it sound strange, that militant term for love?

Do we think of affection as a coy force, something gentle, shy, to be known only in delicate, subtle manifestations?

Surely, in a fine sense, love should be gentle, with delicate intuitions.

But, to be real, it must be far more than that. Quiescent love, affection that is neutral, hesitating, inactive, blights life.

"Give me," said one who both loved and loved expressed in fine phrases. Do not tell me how much you esteem me, how great your affection is. But stand by me. Help me when I am tired. Sorrow for me when I grieve. Rejoice when I am glad. Do something for me. Give me of yourself. Then shall I know what your words have meant. Grant me love in action."

He was right. What we yearn for is love in action. Every one of us aches for the feeling that expresses itself in the glad human touch. We want a kindly word. We want a thoughtful act. We want the letter that brightens the day, the book that a friend remembers.

We long for a pleasant walk, we want a frank talk. With great desire, we wish that one we know would grant us, for a season, the comfort of his comradeship.

An old man knows in a general way, that his vigorous daughter loves him. But, as he struggles into his overcoat, with his feeble arms groping for sleeves which are hard to find, a light touch, a reassuring word—"Here it is, daddy," sends him out aglow with the sense of love.

The world, always a bit tired, no matter how brave a fight it may be making, can stand any amount of true love in action.

Let all the neutrals and the hesitating, passive lovers come over into the active ranks.

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## DIGGING UP THE BIBLE LANDS TO SOLVE HISTORY

Palestine is at present the scene of an intense campaign of excavation. There are no fewer than eleven different expeditions in the field, representing seven different nations, Great Britain, America, France, Italy, Denmark, Germany and Austria.

Under the Turks, excavation work in Palestine was not only costly, but the restrictions imposed were very irritating. Today, under the British, every encouragement is being given to a scientific exploration of the mounds and sites which are known to mark places of historic interest. Furthermore, valuable work is being undertaken in preserving the existing ruins. One feature of this work is the reconstruction of an ancient synagogue at Capernaum, believed to be the very one in which Christ taught.

Jerusalem itself has been the scene of much activity during the past few months. On the side of Ophel, to the south of the present walls of the city, excavations have been made to the ancient level, and a part of the wall that inclosed the ancient Jebusite city has been discovered. It is built in the slanting manner, each course of stones being farther in than the one below it. This is the same kind of Canaanitish fortification as has been found at ancient Jericho. The Canaanitish wall continues southward, but just next to the bastion is seen a corner tower of a very different type, built of larger stones and better masonry. This is Davidic work, and as it intervenes in the gap in the Canaanitish wall, is thought to be the "breach," which David is recorded to have built up, and may be the "Millo" which is often mentioned in the Old Testament, and which actually means a "filling up". To the east of this, there is a wall of a later period, which lies outside of the Canaanitish rampart. It is virtually the finest of all and is attributed to Hezekiah. It has been suggested that it was between these two walls that Zedekiah and his men escaped when

the city was besieged by Nebuchadnezzar.

Interesting also is the work which has been carried out by the Jewish Palestine exploration society in uncovering the foundations of the third, or northernmost wall of Jerusalem, built by Agrippa I, grandson of Herod. The next task will be to discover a connection between the third wall and the line of the second wall, which inclosed the city in the days of Christ. If the course of the latter wall could be ascertained, it would at once settle the vexed question as to whether the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, which marks the alleged site of the crucifixion and burial, lay outside the city or not.

Ever since the discoveries in Babylon and the Hittite country of clay tablets, hopes have been entertained that in Palestine similar finds may come to light. The site that especially attracted attention was Kirjath Sepher, for the name implies the "town of books", or library. It is referred to in Joshua in connection with the story of Caleb, one of the two spies who brought a good report of the land. But no one knew for certain where the ancient city stood. Dr. W. F. Albright of the American school of archaeology in Jerusalem was successful in locating it some fifteen miles to the southwest of Hebron.

Here he has been toiling with most interesting results. He has laid bare a portion of the old city wall and two well-preserved gates, practically the first of the early Israelitic period yet found in Palestine. The sloping walls, which varied from ten to 12 feet thick, and probably towered 30 feet in height, not only date back to the Canaanite period, but resemble those found at Jerusalem and Jericho. The buildings were evidently made of white compact, sun-dried bricks, such as have not been met before. A couple hundred pottery vessels of various shapes and sizes were found, as well as weavers' weights of clay, dyeing vessels, pestles, mortars and sling stones. A shaft sunk on the site, reaching down to the level of

the base of the wall where it was laid bare, seems to indicate that there were five periods of occupation, each followed by the burning of the city. The third, fourth and fifth destructions were probably the work of Othniel, Caleb's nephew; Shishak, king of Egypt, in the time of Solomon; and Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. So far, however, the search has failed to reveal the existence of any clay tablets.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

The smartest coats seen upon the streets these days are the black ones trimmed with badger fur. The contrast of dark and light is delightful.

Close-fitting hats are not becoming to most women who wear glasses. They tend to make the face look small and the glasses prominent.

Things to call a man who doesn't believe it's so after YOU tell him—horse-thief, mollycoddle, atheist, pacifist, muck-raker, sobster, lobster, Red, idol-worshiper, liquor-hound.

Measuring 5 feet 10 inches high by 3 feet 2 inches across, a volume of maps, presented to Charles II by the Amsterdam merchants in 1660, is preserved in the British Museum. It is moved about on a trolley.

Few words in the English language are so frequently misapplied as the word couple. It is from the Latin "coupla", a joining. A man and his wife are properly "a couple"; so are two hounds when strapped together; but two eggs are not a couple. Two rabbits or two ducks are not couples when alive and running about; but when killed and tied in pairs for sale they become couples.

The recent great increase in the exportation of honey is noted by the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture. This increase parallels the recent activities of various governmental agencies in promoting foreign trade in honey. During the year ending June, 1927, about 11,000,000 pounds of honey was exported, whereas in the preceding fiscal year only about 3,000,000 pounds was exported.



WAS Christmas Eve and everything in the small town of Robbinsdale was bubbling over with the true holiday spirit. Brilliantly lighted Christmas trees, holly wreaths and bells shone through the windows of most every home in town; while each church joined in with its usual Yuletide celebration.

A snow storm the day before had clothed the town in white, as if in preparation for the great holiday. The children just knew that it was sent on purpose, so that Santa Claus could come in his loaded sleigh and fill their stockings.

But amidst all this joy and beauty there was one sad family, who lived at the far end of Main street. They had just received word that their eldest son, Ray, had been lost on the field of battle. Father, mother and the four remaining children were seated within the living room in silence while the happy celebrations were in full swing on all sides of them. Each one was filled with thoughts of other years and how happy they had been. Each saw visions of the heavily loaded Christmas tree gleaming in all its beauty, while their son and brother presided over it in his Santa's outfit. Thus they sat speechless, with lumps in their throats, until bedtime. One by one they retired broken-hearted to finish their visions in the far-off dreamland.

When quietness covered its cloak over the little town and the children's stockings were all waiting for Santa Claus, the midnight flyer pulled in, dropping off a lone passenger—a soldier boy. He had come to surprise his family on the glorious Christmas holiday. Not having heard of the false report of his death, he had come to be their Santa Claus, as of old.

As he was hurrying home he met an old schoolmate, who told him the sad story of how his family had mourned, thinking him dead; and that they had not joined in the usual holiday festivities.

Suddenly a beautiful surprise filled his consciousness, and with the aid of his friend he scoured the town from end to end, frantically awakening all the storekeepers. Loaded with

gifts, and with his friend carrying the Christmas tree, they proceeded homeward, while the full winter moon looked down upon them, knowingly.

Bidding his companion a Merry Christmas, and thanking him heartily, he crawled in through the basement window and carefully ascended to the living room. Here he trimmed the tree, hanging all the smaller gifts upon its branches and placing the larger ones upon the floor beneath.

When it was completed he lay down upon the old couch of his childhood and dreamed happy thoughts. He, too, felt a lump in his throat, but his was a lump of gladness, as theirs had been one of sadness.

Here he remained in silence, his heart filled with joy until Christmas morn. As he beheld the sun glimmering upon the snow-covered scene, making diamonds everywhere, he realized that it was to be one of the most gorgeous Christmas days he had ever witnessed. He hurriedly dressed himself in a bright new Santa outfit, his heart wildly thumping as he did so; and he had just seated himself beneath the glowing tree, when he heard his dear old mother's soft, familiar footsteps upon the stairway.

He listened breathlessly while she descended and passed through the hallway into the kitchen. Then soon the old familiar odors of coffee and griddle cakes came floating in. He could hardly contain himself, as he wanted to rush out and snuggle her with caresses. With sheer will-power he remained silent until the family was called to breakfast.

Then little Ruth stole into the living room to see if by chance Santa had left her anything. She gave a scream of delight as she beheld the marvelous tree loaded with gifts, and Santa himself actually sitting beneath it.

The next moment the whole family stood wide-eyed, gazing upon the scene before them, too surprised to utter a single word.

Thoughts of a practical joke by their friends came to them, and they hardly knew what to do or say. Tears came to mother's eyes with the memories of her lost son.

Just as father was going to speak, Roy, their own son, pulled the mask from his face and smiled a "Merry Christmas."

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Here He Trimmed the Tree, Hanging All the Smaller Gifts.

By T. T. MAXEY

WNW Service

## Nearby and Yonder

### The Church of St. Louis of France

THE old St. Louis cathedral—now known as the Church of St. Louis of France—is said to be "The most historic church in the Mississippi valley." It stands on or near the site where the first mass said in St. Louis was celebrated on March 14, 1764.

The first edifice to occupy this spot was a primitive log structure put up in 1770. It gave way to a second built of palisades and first occupied in 1778. The present church, begun in 1831, was dedicated in 1834, and stands today a venerable and historic monument to St. Louis.

Of stone construction and well preserved, it is fronted by a row of weather-beaten columns, carries Hebrew and Latin quotations over the main portal and is topped by a steeple crowned by the customary cross. Inside, its width usually in proportion to its length, there being five aisles, both the altar rail and the organ loft supports extend far out, the simple frosted windows smack of old-time, and the throne is decorated with the fleur de lys of France.

By virtue of the fact that the first Bishop of St. Louis was a classmate of Pope Gregory XVI, it happened that this church was the recipient of favors which are said to have been bestowed upon no other church in the world except the Basilicas in Rome. One of the most noteworthy favors grants an indulgence which is granted only to pilgrims visiting the seven Roman Basilicas. By special indulgence, it is said, may be gained by visiting the three altars in this church—though no other church or cathedral is so privileged.

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A smart little costume consists of a cardigan jacket and skirt of brown velvet, and a jumper of beige, tan or brown.

Were it not for a man's faults he might live and die without ever hearing his name mentioned.



## IT OCCURRED TO ME

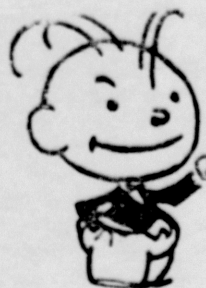
Did you ever notice the hands in the pictures of the debs in the society sections of the Sunday papers? Watch this next Sunday, and then refrain from making fun of the boy in the awkward age. You can hear the photographer tell the debs how to place their hands and feel their self-consciousness.

A large part of this morning's mail was undesirable. The Postal authorities will accept such pieces, however.

Several Sikeston cars were parked near the Dexter movie, yesterday.

Tuesday afternoon the local F. D. was out in search of a good location for a fire. Those who live "south of the tracks" were out to assist in the search. That's all right. Wait until we get the cotton and the candles on the Christmas tree.

Miss Lucille Stubblefield, who came home from Christian College for the Thanksgiving holidays, will remain at home until after the Christmas holidays.



Goodyear Tires today deliver a kind of performance that for reliability and final economy are unapproached in any earlier type of tire.

The privilege of selling Goodyear tires carries with it certain definite responsibilities on our part. We pledge ourselves, for example, to give you service that will help you get from Goodyear tires all the mileage built into them at the factory.

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MALONE AVENUE  
EXTENSION ASSURED

Mayor Ed Fuchs and City Attorney Roger Bailey are back from Jefferson City, where they presented a petition to the Public Service Commission, asking to be allowed to cross the Frisco Railroad with the extension of Malone Avenue and Highway 61 through Sikeston. The permission asked for was granted and work on setting back the houses and widening the street from the Robinson Lumber Co. yard to the slab west of Sikeston will be begun at an early date.

The paving of this highway can hardly be done before spring, but everything can be gotten ready for the work. This is a much needed improvement and will be a monument to President C. L. Malone, who was the prime mover in the improvement. This will give us a wide street, paved, and will give us a National Highway right through our city.

VIRGIN ISLANDS MAY SUPPLY  
WINTER VEGETABLES FOR U. S.

One of the indications of the probable value of the Virgin Islands to the United States and the reciprocal value of the comparatively recent acquisition of the islands to the islanders appears in the report of the agricultural experiment station founded in the new Territory by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Plantings of Bermuda onions had proved so satisfactory that several growers undertook to grow them in commercial quantities. About 700 crates were shipped to the New York market and were sold at prices which averaged \$1.91 above the comparatively heavy cost of transportation. "Results show," the report continues, "that if seed is obtained and planted sufficiently to mature the crop in March, Bermuda onions can be marketed in New York when prices are unusually high."

Last year the station experimented with shipments of eggplants, peppers, cucumbers, and tomatoes. There is not a frequent enough service in direct sailings to prove entirely satisfactory for truck-crop marketing and some shipments were made to Porto Rico for transshipment. If an adequate shipping service could be developed the Virgin Islands might well become a source of supply for fresh winter vegetables and New York a profitable market.

The demand for eggs in the Virgin Islands is greater than the supply, and the director comments that "the islands are ideal for poultry raising and offer many advantages over sections where the industry is highly specialized."

## DID YOU EVER TRY—

Sweetening the pie crust? Add 1 tablespoon of sugar when mixing the pastry. This will keep it fresh and improve the flavor.

Dates in the custard pie? Cut a cup of dates into small pieces and add them to the custard—they will give a delicious flavor.

Adding breadcrumbs to scrambled eggs? It will increase the quantity and improve the flavor.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church held an all day quilting at the home of Mrs. W. L. Hutters on Kathleen Street, Wednesday.

SIKESTON ATHLETIC  
ASSOCIATION FORMED

On last Monday afternoon twenty men met at the Chamber of Commerce and formed an Athletic Association.

Prior to the meeting several interested parties met with the School Board and requested the use of the high school gym for a few evenings a week. The request was granted and a long-felt want was filled.

The four organizations sponsoring this Association are the Lions Club, Henry Meldrum Post of the Legion, the National Guard, the State Highway Department.

A Board of Governors was selected with one representative from each of the four organizations who were: Harold Hebbeler for the Lions Club, Herbert Moore for the Guard, S. H. Clelland for the Highway Department and Capt. E. T. Wheatley for the Legion.

The School Board will allow the use of the gym for three or four nights a week from 7:00 until 9:00 p. m.

A gym class will be formed and systematic instruction will be given. This will include calisthenics, setting up exercises, and such games as volleyball, indoor baseball and basketball.

Following the general meeting, the Board of Governors met and according to the by-laws, adopted by the meeting, elected S. H. Clelland President, Herbert Moore Vice-President and Capt. E. T. Wheatley, Secretary-Treasurer. T. A. Wilson was appointed Business Manager.

The first assembly for the Association will be on Monday night of next week.

It was decided to set the fee at \$2 for the twenty nights which the School Board has allowed for the first period. Data regarding the assignment of nights will be published and may be found on the bulletin board at Dudley's Place.

## NINETEEN YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Sikeston Hornet)

J. W. Marshall and wife spent several days visiting relatives and friends in Illinois, this week.

Presiding Elder Crowe attended the closing exercises of Marvin College at Fredericktown, this week.

The excavating of the new City Hall is about done and Contractor Meier says construction will begin at once.

Street Commissioner Sparks is having some of the high weeds cut on our streets. Let the good work go on.

C. C. Pinnell will erect a modern home on the lots he purchased on Greer and Prairie Avenues.

D. N. Allard and wife returned to their home in Illinois, Tuesday, after a short visit with Ezar Allard and wife, in Sikeston.

E. J. Malone and wife departed on Tuesday for a visit to friends and relatives in Carbondale, Ill., and also to attend the closing exercises of the State Normal.

D. B. Kevil, connected with the Sikes-McMullin Grain Co., returned from a visit in Marion, Ky.

The foundation for A. C. Sikes' new home on the corner of Gladys and Kings Streets, is about finished and the construction of the building will begin in earnest.

Cards announcing the marriage of Prof. Albert Maner to Miss Minn Gilbreath, the event to take place on the tenth of June.

Harry Emory, an old Sikeston boy, and who is now working in a big store in Essex and Miss Stella McColgan, a very beautiful and highly accomplished young lady of that town, drove over to Bloomfield from Essex last Monday and were married by Rev. Trotter. The young people passed through Sikeston Tuesday en route to Waterloo, Ala., and other southern points, on a wedding tour.

June 12—Harry Emory and bride have returned from their wedding trip. They spend several days in Sikeston visiting relatives and friends before returning to their home in Essex.

J. M. Klein was up town this week for the first time in two weeks, after a severe attack of malaria fever.

Wm. Fisher is the proudest man in Sikeston. The arrival of a little daughter, Monday night, explains it.

Mrs. Robert Daniels of Los Angeles, Calif., is visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. S. Way.

Little Miss Bertie Utterback presented the Hornet force some very nice home-grown peaches and grapes for which we extend our thanks.

W. H. Stubblefield is the liveliest and happiest man in Sikeston and appears as polite as a basket of chips. We will tell you the cause in a whisper—there are twins, two little girls, arriving Monday morning. Mother and the little ones doing nicely.

Little Miss Burnice Tanner spent the first part of the week with relatives and friends in Cairo.

S. E. MISSOURI FLOOD  
CRISIS IS EXPLAINED

Washington, November 30.—The flood problems of Southeast Missouri were presented by the House flood committee Tuesday by representatives of levee boards, agricultural organizations and bonding houses from that district.

The delegation, headed by James A. Finch of New Madrid, chairman of the St. Francis and Black Rivers Commission, presented particularly conditions in its district, while supplementary testimony was given by representatives of bond houses, which hold mortgages on land in that area.

Finch told the committee that one-sixth of the land in the district had been sold for taxes in the last seven years, principally because of the effort which had been made to drain the land to place it in shape for cultivation, and by the overflows of the Mississippi and tributary streams.

State Representative Joe Moore of Charleston, Mo., said that much of the rich bottom land is being abandoned, and unless the government takes over flood control he said he feared it all would be forsaken.

"We cannot finance ourselves any longer, and even if we could, we would not be protected. Our levees held during the recent flood, but 130,000 acres of our land was flooded from overflow of the districts to the north of us. Under a federal program this would not have occurred", Moore said.

Figures showing the extent of the damages caused by the summer flood were filled with the committees by R. W. Hall, Memphis, Tenn., statistician for the Mississippi Flood Control Association. These figures set the loss in Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana at \$236,324,414, including a crop damage of \$73,511,040 and a property loss of \$41,489,999.

The cost for merely fighting the high water was set at \$8,370,084.

Missouri losses were estimated at \$7,891,265 by Hall. This included a crop damage of \$15,711,469, a livestock loss of \$82,500, and a property damage of \$1,004,700.

The Illinois loss was placed at \$10,765,465, with a crop loss of \$6,192,100, and a property damage of \$2,169,675.

W. R. Humphrey of the William R. Compton Co., investment bankers of St. Louis, told the committee the local levee districts were in no condition to pay for further levee work because the market for their bonds had disappeared.

Humphrey stated that interest payments on 61 of the 308 drainage and levee district bond issues floated by his company had been defaulted. This represented a total of 20 per cent of the issues and approximately 20 per cent of the money involved, he said.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., went to St. Louis, Wednesday.

J. W. Baker, Jr., and family are moving to the proper north of town, formerly occupied by Mrs. Louis Baker.

Mrs. Louis Ferrell, Mrs. Mary Ferrell and Mrs. Tom Roberts and little son were visitors to Cairo, Wednesday.

Gene Meunier, who has been ill with typhoid fever, is able to start in school again, we are glad to report.

Mrs. F. A. Denton and daughter, Miss Alfreda, returned Tuesday from a several days' visit in St. Louis, where they visited relatives.

Mesdames Joe Bowman, Miley Limbaugh, W. T. Shanks and W. C. Bowman motored to Cape Girardeau Thursday, with Mrs. L. R. Bowman and spent the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Orie Clinton are the proud parents of a little daughter, born Wednesday morning, November 30. This is the third child and the second daughter of the Clintons.

Frank Roberts, who has been located at Sikeston the past few months, was in Kennett, Monday, on business matters. He was a pleasant caller at this office.—Kennett News.

The Chillicothe Business College Football Team which finished second in the Missouri State Conference was banqueted Tuesday night and letters and sweaters were awarded those who made the team.

Edward Fuchs, Jr., son of Mayor and Mrs. Ed Fuchs, suffered an injury to his leg in a football game at school the day before he came home to spend Thanksgiving with his parents. He has suffered considerably and was unable to return to college at this time.

Monday evening at the High School, Prof. George T. Boyce will lecture and explain many of the scientific facts and phenomenon of electricity, illustrating with a table full of apparatus. The public is invited. A small fee of 10c and 25c will be charged to cover the cost.

SENATOR CAPPER ASKS  
EAST TO HELP WEST

Philadelphia, Pa., November 30.—Warning against continuance of the "sectional disparity" of the East and West lest the whole United States become economically imperiled, Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas, in an address here today, extended a plea for congressional alleviation of the ills of the agricultural Western region. He spoke at a luncheon of the Rotary Club.

"There are two possible methods of relief for the present condition in the West", Senator Capper said. "Either lower the tariff on what the farmer buys, so he can get the benefit of lower prices on goods made in Europe; or extend the aid of the Government in disposing of surplus farm products abroad so that the excess will not disastrously depress the home market."

There is no hatred among the farmers of the West against the industrial East and its "present era of prosperity", the Senator asserted. Rather, he said, the West wants a "square deal" from Congress in the way of bringing the country to "an economical level, either up or down."

"The West wants to raise its level to that of the prosperous East. It has no desire to depress the business of the East by bringing down commodity prices", he said.

"The West has waited as patiently as possible for the same degree of legislative assistance and relief that the Government nearly always has extended to the industrial East. But the West cannot wait forever."

He claimed Eastern industry must depend to large degree on the purchasing power of the West, and added:

"Eastern prosperity will eventually sag unless the buying power of the Middle West is substantially increased through economic justice to the farmer, whose dollar is smaller than that of any other class of workers."

"Sectional misunderstanding and lack of economic balance, brought about the Civil War; sectional disparity in 1927 threatens the position of America as the world's most favored, most prosperous nation. United, the East and West stand, but divided against each other by lack of understanding they are bound to fall into economic peril gravely menacing to both sections."

"This country cannot permanently remain half prosperous, half unprosperous, any more than it could continue half slave, half free. There is no room in America for the clash of sectional political blocs and the farm problem is not a political issue, though it may become one."

Mrs. E. J. Keith was a business visitor to East Prairie, Thursday.

Dan McCoy drove to Memphis, Tenn., Thursday on business. He will return Friday.

The ladies of the Christian church served dinner to the Lions Club Thursday.

H. C. Blanton and R. E. Bailey have been attending court this week at Benton.

Mrs. R. Q. Brown, Mrs. Jack Shuppert and Mrs. Henry Bolden are spending today in Cape Girardeau.

If you can't be breezy, be brief. The best things to live inside of is your income.

For every error of the past generation we correct, we make another one to be corrected by our heirs.

It takes less courage to tell your boy you can't afford that air-rifle than to tell your customer you want \$10 for that \$10 job.

We hold no brief for the man who sells printing without owning a plant. Nor the printer who owns a plant without selling printing.

We get tired of everything in time. Even Clarence Darrow admits he's beginning to look at the girls' faces again.

## THEY GO TOGETHER

Raw oysters, egg croquettes, cream sauce, boiled rice, stuffed tomatoes, lettuce hearts with Creole dressing and caramel custard.

Spiced beef's heart, mushroom sauce; potato croquettes, succotash, baked tomatoes, cucumber salad and fig pudding.

Pot roast, brown sauce; potato souffle, creamed squash, celery, lettuce with French dressing and rice custard.

Roast duck, currant jelly; potatoes a la Bechamel, baked sweet potatoes, carrots and peas, celery, tomato salad and squash pie.

Noodle soup, chicken croquettes, grilled potatoes, cauliflower, orange and romaine salad with French dressing and raisin pie.

We are sorry to report that Clayton Hinkels condition remains the same.

Mrs. C. C. Rose left for Memphis, Tenn., Thursday, where she will visit for a few days.

M. Q. Tanner and a friend of Webster Groves will come down Friday, for a few days' hunting.

Mesdames Hubert Edmiston and Emmet Jones of Kennett were guests of Mrs. C. H. Yanson, Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Miley, who has rented her house for the winter, will spend the winter with a sister, in St. Louis.

FOR RENT—6-room house, newly decorated, lights, bath and water. See A. C. Barrett at Bank of Sikeston, if LOST—A child's green felt hat, Sunday evening. Please return to Mrs. Robert Mow or call 594.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, suitable for couple.—341 North Street.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping at 625 Prosperity St. tf.

FOR RENT—5-room, plastered house with basement and garage. Phone 361.—408 N. Prairie Avenue.

FOR SALE—Pines automatic winter-front for Buick Master Six. Phone 257. 3t.

FOR RENT—House, near Shoe Factory. Call at the Sikeston Mercantile.

FOR SALE—Lot 20 block 14 Chamber of Commerce Addition. \$350 cash.—Dr. Leo H. Schmurbusch, Marshall, Mo. tf.

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## THE PEOPLES STORE

Second Door North Bank of Sikeston

Mesdames A. C. Barrett, Ronald Buckles, Harry Dover, M. G. Gresham, Bess Cook, and Forest Young were visitors to Benton, Tuesday.

Three more girl students of the Telegraph Department of the Chillicothe Business College were placed with the Western Union last week and are to be used in Iowa and Nebraska offices.



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Salt Plates, per pound	15c
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## Early Gift Ideas

Here are early suggestions for gift giving that will help you to do away with last hour Christmas shopping. Several items are very specially priced for this early showing.

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### CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Mrs. M. A. Massey, Mrs. W. R. Griffin and Mrs. F. L. Bowman were visitors to the county seat, Tuesday.

P. S. Wallace, Dude Blackwell, Hilary Boone and Bryce Edwards returned Wednesday from St. Louis, where they attended a conference of the Federal Land Bank local officials.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Gray announce the arrival of a baby boy at their home.

It is reported that there will be no penalty attached to Little River Drainage tax this year, for back taxes that have become delinquent.

H. Paul Bestor, President of the Federal Land Bank, left Wednesday for a conference in Washington on flood and drainage relief. Mr. Bestor stated that much support is being enlisted for this aid and that the prospects are good for favorable action by Congress.

Some discussion is being heard relative to shifting the burden of taxation for education from the farm lands to the State or National government inasmuch as the burden to date to the farmer, and the finished product, the boy or girl with a high school education usually goes to the city. Many farmers pay from \$100 to \$200 school tax, whereas a salaried man in the town in which the school is located, pays little or nothing for education. Yet, the salaried man may have several times the net income of the farmer. Taxation is undoubtedly one of the greatest problems of the farm. Neither is flood control or drainage wholly a local problem. It is indeed sufficient that local government should be supported

by real estate. State government needs other support.

### Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey

The Senior Class held a meeting for the purpose of ordering class rings, Thursday. They will be ordered thru Yanson's Jewelery Store. Every member of the class ordered a ring.

The big annual football banquet will be given this evening at 6:30.

The following boys are working hard to make us a basketball team this fall: Bud Couey, Dick Swaim, Hubert Burrus, Kemper Bruton, Dorothy Robinson, T. B. Dudley, Capt. Bill Baker, Weldon McDonald, Ross Weekley, Noland White, Earl Keller, Killgore, Leonard Watson and Garth Doss.

George T. Boyce, famous scientific lecturer and entertainer, will be at the high school gymnasium, December 5.

In military organization, it's hell for the fellow on the bottom. In business organization, it's hell for the fellow on top.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stoval and little daughter of Memphis, Tenn., stopped in Sikeston, en route to Battle Creek, Mich., Thursday. Mrs. Stoval was formerly Miss Myrtle York, who has many friends in Sikeston.

Dear Santa:  
I am glad Christmas is coming, ain't you, Santa? I want a buggy, a ball, some candy, oranges, apples, table and chairs, two boxes of candy and some nuts. Santa ain't you glad Christmas is come?

EVELYN MONAN.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Leasel Carruthers came very near having a serious accident Sunday, one mile east of Matthews, when the steering rod on his car came loose, causing him to run his car into a ditch. The car was completely torn up, but fortunately Leasel escaped with minor injuries.

The Steele Bros. cotton gin was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday morning about 2:00 o'clock. At the time of this writing, no particulars were known as to how or where the fire originated.

Mrs. Mildred Spears and little son, William, of St. Louis, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carruthers.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart and babe and Mrs. Billie Gmeinhardt and babe shopped in Sikeston Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milus R. Davis of Canalou visited at the home of the later's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carruthers, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll attended the show in Sikeston, Tuesday evening.

A "kid" party was given at the high school auditorium Monday night by the Juniors and Seniors in honor of the football team. Very unique invitation were sent out in the form of footballs. A most pleasant and entertaining evening was spent by all, playing all sorts of kid games and having kid contests. Miss Thelma Davis and Kastner Story received the prizes for being dressed the most "kiddish". Miss Davis received a large chocolate football, while Kastner received a toy pistol. Refreshments of bottles of milk, suckers and popcorn balls were served.

Mrs. Henry Carruthers and little daughter, Hazel, and Mrs. Mildred Spears and little son, William, of St. Louis visited Mrs. Milus R. Davis in Canalou, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Griffin of Charleston spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stan- cil.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jones are in St. Louis this week visiting their daughter, Mrs. Harry Buckles.

William Deane went to Gray Ridge Tuesday evening to play basketball with the all star team of Canalou.

Mrs. O. K. Mainord and children of New Madrid were Matthews visitors, Monday.

Mrs. Maggie Hunott visited Mrs. Ella Prouty in Sikeston, Monday.

### NEW FORD PRICES FROM \$385 TO \$570

Detroit, Mich., November 30.—Prices of the new Ford automobile, given out here tonight, show a range of from \$385 to \$570 for the various types of pleasure cars, and \$460 to \$610 for the various truck types.

The various types and their prices f. o. b. Detroit follow:

Tudor sedan, \$495.  
Fordor sedan, \$570.  
Coupe, \$495.  
Sport coupe, \$550.  
Phaeton, \$395.  
Roadster, \$385.  
Roadster with pickup body, \$395.  
Chassis, \$325.  
Trucks:  
Truck chassis, \$460.  
Truck chassis with cab, \$545.  
Truck chassis with cab and express body, \$600.  
Truck chassis with cab and stake body, \$610.  
Truck chassis with cab and platform body, \$595.

The oil from walnut meats will make small scratches or pricks on furniture entirely disappear. The nuts should be finely chopped or crushed and should be rubbed on the scratch with the finger.

### BROWNLEE SUCCESSOR OF HUGH STEPHENS

By Curtis A. Betts of Post-Dispatch  
Jefferson City, November 30.—In the appointment today of R. S. Brownlee, a banker of Brookfield, Mo., to one of the two Democratic seats on the State Highway Commission as successor to Hugh Stephens of Jefferson City, Gov. Baker satisfied a grudge and at the same time paid a political debt.

Stephens who, as chairman of the commission, has ranked exceptionally high as a public official, was refused reappointment. A year ago he led the fight in the commission to prevent the carrying out of the Governor's plan to inject politics into the department, and insisted that meritorious service in the department should be recognized by promotion, and not favoritism to the Governor's personal and political followers.

In punishing Stephens the way was open to reward State Senator Walter Brownlee of Brookfield for his bolt of the Democratic caucus in the last Senate, a bolt which saved the job of the Governor's favorite appointee, Dr. Cortez Enloe, chairman of the State Prison Board. R. S. Brownlee is a brother of the Senator.

It will be recalled that a special investigating committee of the Senate, after an exhaustive inquiry into conditions at the State penitentiary, reported to the Senate that charges of gross mismanagement were shown by the evidence to have been fully justified, that some members of the Prison Board had "winked at graft", and that all should be refused confirmation by the Senate.

The Democratic Senators by caucus action, agreed to support the report of the committee, but their action was nullified by seven Democratic Senators bolting the caucus, forming an alliance with the Republican Senators and confirming Enloe and his associates. Senator Brownlee was one of the influential Senators among the bolters.

The success in saving Enloe was considered a great political victory by the members of the Baker administration, as one of the principal planks in the last Democratic platform was a pledge to "clean up" the penitentiary.

Notwithstanding Stephens' record as a member of the Highway Commission, it generally has been understood that he would be retired by the Governor when his term expired. Baker had planned to oust Stephens last January by recalling his appointment from the Senate, to which it had been sent, but heeded a warning from Democratic Senators that such an attempt would stir up a fight the Governor would not be able to stop.

The Governor, knowing that Stephens' term would expire within a year from that time, and that there would be no Senate in session to interfere with him, permitted Stephens' name to remain before the Senate.

The grudge the Governor bears toward Stephens dates back to the fall of 1926. There were two vacancies in important positions in the Highway Department, that of chief engineer and that of chief counsel. The highway law, contemplating a nonpartisan administration, provided that the commission should be equally divided politically. The commission never had considered politics in appointments.

In filling these vacancies, however, the Governor sought to take a hand, attempting to influence the commission to appoint H. H. Lotter of Jefferson City, a friend of the Governor, as chief engineer, and former Attorney-General Robert W. Otto, who had been defeated for Supreme Judge, as chief counsel.

Stephens insisted that men who had demonstrated their fitness in subordinate positions in the department should be promoted to fill vacancies, and succeeded in defeating the Governor's plan. E. H. Cutler, a Republican, became chief engineer, and Lou C. Lozier, a Democrat, became chief counsel.

Under any other circumstances than those leading up to the appointment of Brownlee, his selection undoubtedly would have met the approval of Republicans and Democrats alike. He has had high standing in his community where he and his brother, the Senator, have been in the banking business for many years.

When the Governor attempted to supplant Stephens a year ago, the opinion generally expressed by Democratic Senators was that they did not believe any Democrat of standing would accept the appointment under the circumstances, and that if one was found who would take it the Senate would refuse to confirm him.

It is not unlikely that there will be some opposition to Brownlee's confirmation by the next Senate. By that time Baker will be out of office, and the next Governor will have it within his power to reorganize completely the department and to re-

move three of Gov. Baker's appointees if he desires. In addition to sending to the Senate another name in the place of that of Brownlee, he can later in the year appoint successors to E. J. McGrew and J. R. Davis, both Baker appointees, whose terms expire in December, 1929.

Some changes are looked for to make the department more representative of the State, Gov. Baker having refused to appoint any resident of St. Louis or Kansas City to the commission, notwithstanding the fact that more than half the department's funds are derived from the two cities.

### We're Becoming Enlightened Fast

By Bill Hooy

I see in the papers—  
Where some fellow lately (or some late fellow) has discovered that Red Clover Alfalfa, cowpeas and such are legumes, that are soil builders.

Where some wise fellow in discussing the flood crisis, has discovered the cause. As the levees not being high enough, water too high and excessive rainfall.

Where another fellow thinks flood control on the lower Mississippi Valley a bad political issue since the disastrous flood in the President's home State.

Where Judge Deering has established a REAL precedent for local Justices of the Peace and juries in Justice Peace Courts. So boys, take warning. If you get over stimulated on Giggie Oil, and run over someone with your Joy Wagon, they will positively refuse to let you drive a car or take a drink for eight months. Provided, if it can be prevented.

I see too, where some Farm Relief committee, says the farmers need more credit. We have always thought we needed more money and less credit.

### MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

The regular meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at the home of Mrs. J. L. Tanner Tuesday afternoon, December 6, at 2:30 promptly.

After the regular business meeting, Mrs. Roy V. Ellise, as leader, will give a program on "Applied Education", after which a social hour will be enjoyed.

A huge portfolio of blue leather, tooled in gold and bound upon the edges with leather thongs, makes an excellent Christmas gift for the woman who enjoys having pictures around, but does not wish to decorate her walls with them.



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### NATIONAL GUARD ITEMS

Major John C. French, Infantry, D. O. L., who is the Senior Instructor with the 140th Infantry has been making visits of instruction to the organizations of the regiment in the vicinity of Sikeston this week.

On Monday he visited Regimental Headquarters Company at Charleston, Tuesday Company K in Sikeston. On Wednesday, he went to Dexter, where Company L is located, and Thursday night the Band Section at Chaffee was visited.

Regimental Headquarters Company is moving from the old Y. M. C. A. building to a larger room one and a half blocks south of the "Y". Their accommodations in the new quarters will be superior in many ways to their old location.

On Tuesday night, Major French complimented the local unit of the

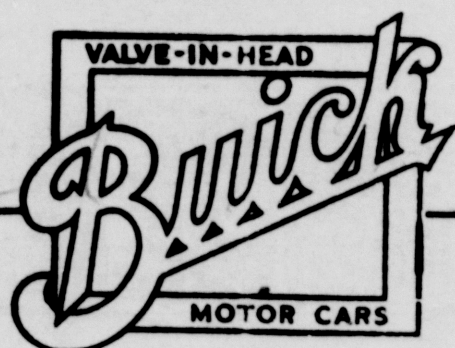
Guard for its work in rifle marksmanship in the Armory.

Corporal Sutton, in spite of his injury, was present for instruction. This is the spirit of which noncommissioned officers should be made.

### DOHENY TO ASK CONGRESS TO RETURN \$13,000,000

San Francisco, November 28.—Frank J. Hogan, Washington attorney, arrived in San Francisco today and announced he was en route to Los Angeles to help Edward J. Doheny, oil magnate, frame an appeal to Congress for the return of \$13,009,507 Doheny and his associates were forced to pay the Government in the Elk Hills naval oil reserve case.

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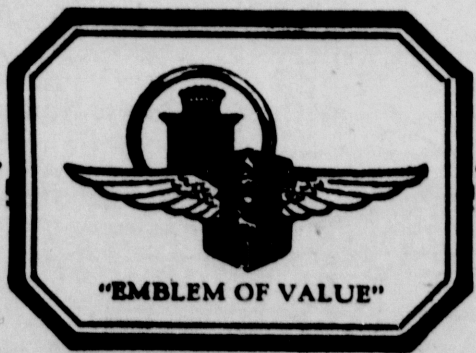
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### Early Diagnosis of Tuberculosis Is Urged

One of the big projects which the Christmas Health Seal will finance the first of the year is the National Campaign for Early Tuberculosis Diagnosis, which the State Tuberculosis Association will conduct in co-operation with the National Tuberculosis Association and state and local medical societies. Attention will be directed in every possible manner to the need for early diagnosis of this disease and the necessity for consulting the family physician if any symptoms appear. Several hundred thousand leaflets will be distributed and posters will carry the message in every community in the state.



ROW OVER 61 HIGHWAY TO BE SETTLED FRIDAY

(Continued from first page)

The building of the east route would be to the advantage of a country already developed and having roads, while the building of the west route would build up an undeveloped country which has no roads.

Matthews' position, that costly spurs must be built from the highway to towns mentioned in the legislative designation of the general route, is untenable, and the surveys show an unfairness in that they provided for a spur to the town of Morley if the west route should be built, but provided no spur from the east route to Morley. And further, that the Highway Commission did not build spurs from Route 61 to the towns of De Soto, Fredericktown and Caruthersville, all of which were designated in the law.

To eliminate the spurs would reduce the estimated west route to

within \$400,000 of the estimate for the east route.

The west route advocates are prepared to present these arguments to the commission, but they say they are not prepared to present technical objections, which they believe well founded, to the engineers' surveys. For that, they say, they need time.

Throughout the Scott County and New Madrid County road controversy, Chairman Matthews has been almost as much an issue as the road itself.

Matthews has stood firmly for the construction of the east route, and the west route men have prepared a map showing the property holdings of the Matthews family along that route. This shows 5050 acres of land in Matthews' name, 594 acres in the name of E. C. Matthews, a brother; 386 acres in the name of J. L. Matthews, a brother; 770 acres in the name of Betty Matthews and 953 acres in the name of C. D. Matthews, Sr. estate. In addition, they have found from the records that the property holdings of the Matthews family in the town of Sikeston have a total assessed valuation of \$92,320.

They have argued that, with this property interest, Matthews should not sit in a determination of the location of the road.

Recently an unsuccessful effort was made to induce Gov. Baker to bring influence to bear on the commission to select the west route. P. N. Keller of Chaffee, a widely known Republican of that section, wrote to the Governor, saying: "I trust you will use your influence with the commission and ask that they build the road on the west route, as we do not want any scandal to appear in the road-building program".

The Governor forwarded Keller's letter to Matthews, who promptly wrote Keller asking for any information he might have which would lead to a belief that there might be a scandal in the road-building program.

Keller also was prompt in his reply. He answered by asking Matthews a number of questions, some of which were:

"Is it a fact that you own a garage building in Sikeston, at the crossing of routes 60 and 61, costing in excess of \$30,000?"

"Is it a fact that your home is located on the present Kingshighway?"

"Is it a fact that your bank is located on the present Kingshighway?"

"Is it a fact that you and your

family own approximately 7000 acres of land near Sikeston on what is known as the east route location of Highway 61?"

"Have any members of the engineering Department in the Sikeston office been used in creating sentiment for the east route, while under pay of the State Highway Commission?"

"Have you ever used your connection with the Bank of Sikeston to whip parties into line for the east route?"

"Is it a fact that in the construction of Highway 25 south of Kennett that an old-established roadway was abandoned and the new highway constructed by the location of approximately 5000 acres of your land?"

There were a number of other questions, and to all of them Matthews replied in a letter to Keller: "Your information that has prompted the questions you have asked me is so far wrong that I do not feel that I should give them notice by even undertaking to reply to them".

#### No basis for Charge of Unfairness Says Chief Engineer

Jefferson City, November 29.—Chief Engineer Cutler of the State Highway Commission, answering objections raised by opponents of the building of the proposed west route of Highway 61, said that efforts had been made to be fair in the surveys and that he was convinced there was no basis for any charge of unfairness.

"Although there is a difference in the types of soil on the east and west routes, that on the west being in some places more expensive to move, our engineers used the same unit costs for excavation on both surveys."

"There is more bridge construction on the west route and that runs the cost up, but we provided for no more bridge construction than our engineering knowledge convinced us was necessary."

"In some places on the west route the dirt fill is higher than on the east route, but these are places in which the ground traversed is lower."

"As to the spur from the west route to Morley. None was provided from the east route because there is now a gravel road which it is the intention to use. There is no such road from the west route to Morley."

Cutler said in regard to spurs from other towns to portions of Route 61 already built, that spurs had been

provided in some cases, and in others are to be built in the future. To some of the towns he said existing roads formed the connection with the main highway.

The Standard is copying the above story in full to show its readers how contemptible the West Route Association has been all through their campaign. Their fight has been one of a personal nature towards Mr. Matthews, the Chairman of the State Highway Commission. The meanest part of their entire campaign is their subsidizing of Curtis Betts of the Post-Dispatch, and the Post-Dispatch correspondent at Jefferson City, who have, in every article, played up the fact that the Matthews Estate and the Matthews Brothers owned land and lived on the East Route, and insinuated in strong terms that this fact alone was the reason for C. D. Matthews favoring the East Route. The people who know Mr. Matthews in this section know that this reason is as false as hell, but the readers of the Post-Dispatch over the State do not know the facts. The Matthews' interest on the East Route are small in comparison to the interest of the Himmelberger folks, the Southeast Missouri Trust Co. and other loan companies, and they are attempting to blind the public to the real reason of their fight for the West Route. The interests of the Cape Girardeau people are sunk unless the road is located down through the low lands of lower New Madrid County, and they know it, is why they are making such a personal fight on Mr. Matthews, who they know is for the East Route because it is the cheapest to build, will serve the best interests of the public and because it is the only logical route.

### Local and Personal

A. Ray Smith was a visitor to St. Louis, Wednesday.

P. S. Sewell visited his daughter, Mrs. W. T. Malone on Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. R. W. Finley and son of Chaffee visited the W. T. Malone family, Sunday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith is now located at the home of Mrs. Emma Kendall.

Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., and Mrs. C. A. Cook were visitors to Cape Girardeau, Monday.

W. H. Sikes was a business visitor to Memphis, Monday, returning home Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. E. T. Wheatley will be hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club at her home on Ruth Street, next Wednesday afternoon.

The Lutherans will conduct their regular services in the home of R. L. Hilleman, Sunday morning at 10:30. All are urged to attend.

The D. A. R. will meet at the home of Mrs. Joe Matthews Saturday afternoon, with Mrs. C. A. Cook and Mrs. Matthews as hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes and son returned Monday evening from Springfield, where Mr. and Mrs. Sikes and Kendall visited a few days.

Ned Matthews, Charles Blanton, Jr., Jos. L. Matthews, Art Sensenbaugh and Harry Dudley attended the ball game in Chicago, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McGinnis of Hawaii, who have been on an extended visit in the States, will return to their home this week. They expect to visit in California for a few days before sailing.

C. H. Yanson and wife and daughter, Nell, and son, Charles, of Sikeston spent Thanksgiving, and remained over the week-end in Kennett visiting Mrs. Hubert Edmiston.—Kennett Democrat.

Mrs. Wm. Marshall entertained with a six o'clock dinner Friday for Miss Frances Fisher. Covers were laid for Misses Frances Fisher, Vivian Jackson, Sara Malone, Mary Ferrell, Mildred Christian and Mort Griffith, Billie Russell, Jack Lancaster, Harry Johnson and Mr. Schrader.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kochitzky of Mount Airy, N. C., were guests at the J. A. Hess home on Park Avenue the latter part of the week. Mr. and Mrs. John Kochitzky, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kochitzky, Wade Kochitzky and Miss Mary Kochitzky of Cape Girardeau and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Daw of St. Louis spent Friday afternoon and were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hess and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Marshall had the following guests over the week-end: Mrs. Rebecca Marshall, the venerable mother of Wm. Marshall, her son, J. D. Marshall and his wife and daughter, Mrs. Fred Hoarth and two children, all of Effingham, Ill., who motored to Sikeston last Wednesday, returning home on Sunday. Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Clem Marshall entertained with a six o'clock dinner on Thanksgiving for the above guests and Mr. and Mrs. Spence and Susie and Marshall Spence of Morehouse.

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## NOTICE!

S. E. Redman, State Auto Inspector for Southeast Missouri, and M. E. Montgomery, Prosecuting Attorney of Scott County, have ordered me to arrest all drivers of automobiles and trucks who are not complying with the State Laws by having two license plates. If you are a violator and are arrested a fine and costs will be assessed.

**BROWN JEWELL**  
Constable Richland Township

### MANY ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING THE LAWS

November 25 was a banner day with respect to arrests by Game Wardens for violations of the game and fish laws. Reports of 30 arrests for various offenses were received by Commissioner Keith McCause. Fifteen persons were arrested over the state for being in possession of the pelts of fur-bearing animals or for trapping them. The season for taking fur-bearing animals does not open until December 1 and in every case there a person is found in possession of them before that time the State confiscates them. Thirteen persons were arrested for hunting without a license, one for trespass hunting and one for having a pheasant in possession. There is no open season whatever for pheasants in Missouri, that bird being practically extinct here. The Game and Fish Department purchased 24,000 eggs of the ring-neck pheasant breed last spring and these were distributed to farmers over the State who placed them under domestic hens for hatching. In view of this condition and of the Department's strenuous efforts to restock the state with pheasants, it seems that some people who have no regard for the laws of their State or respect for the rights of their fellow men, will hunt and kill even these few birds hatched from the eggs imported by the State. It is this sort of law defiance which is bringing to the support of the Game and Fish Department, the best people in every community.

#### DEATH OF MRS. OGLESBY

Mrs. Catherine Oglesby, in her 75th year of age, died at her home on the John Reiss farm, east of Sikeston, Tuesday evening. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon, after which the body was laid away in the Memorial Park Cemetery in Sikeston. Mrs. Oglesby was born in Southern Illinois, but has lived in Missouri for many years. Two sons, living in Illinois, and one daughter, Mrs. Florence Porter, living on the Reiss farm, survive her. The Standard extends sympathy to the bereaved.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Humphries are occupying the Milem property on Park Avenue this winter.

The regular Sunday evening services of Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Kansas City, will be broadcast each Sunday during December at 8 o'clock over station KWKC.

The eight countries in the world that have no railways are: Albania, in Europe; Afghanistan, Asir, Bhutan, Nepal, Oman and Yemen in Asia; and Liberia on the West Coast of Africa.

#### EX-WIFE OF 3 MILLIONAIRES CONVICTED OF SHOPLIFTING

Salinas, Cal., November 28.—Mrs. Genevieve Paddleford, the ex-wife of three millionaires, was sentenced today in Superior Court to serve from one to ten years in San Quentin penitentiary.

She was convicted on theft charges preferred by a Carmel shopkeeper.



Swansdown Cake Flour, pkg. 29c

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Minced Ham per pound 28c

Ham, Hickory Smoked, per pound 21c

Herring, large size 2 for 5c

Bacon, whole or half, per pound 29c

Bananas per pound 9c

Cranberries per pound 18½c

Grapefruit, 705s each 9c

Apples, Romes or Yorks, per pound 7½c

Celery, large size 3 for 25c

Oranges, 216s per dozen 49c